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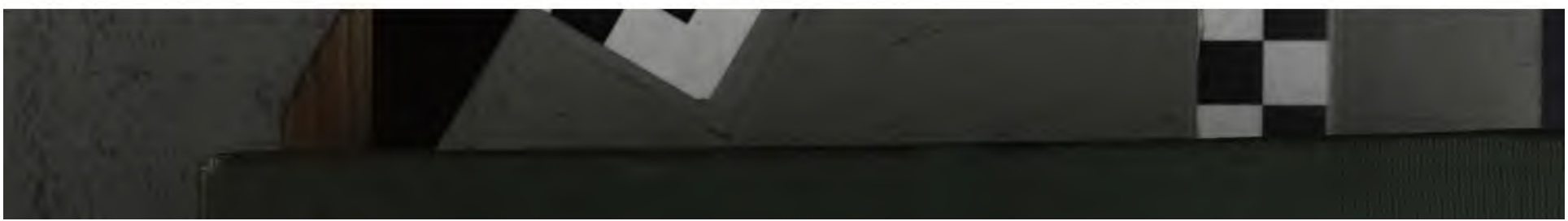

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SECTION 1. A Secretary shall be chosen at every Convention by ballot, by a majority of voters, after *viva voce* nominations. If but one person is nominated, the balloting shall be dispensed with. The Secretary shall continue in office until the meeting of the next Convention, and until his successor is chosen. He shall attend at the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention; shall receive the testimonials of those who shall there attend as members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; shall record the names of those who present testimonials; and when such list is made, shall take the votes of those named in it for a President. The insertion, by the Secretary, in the list so made by him, of the name of any person who has presented a testimonial of his appointment as a Deputy, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the right of such person to a seat; but as soon as the House is duly organized, a Committee on Elections shall be appointed, to whom the testimonials of those claiming to be members shall be referred.

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Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., Marcus Hook, Tenn.

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Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Easton, Md.
Rev. William Pinckney, D.D., Bladensburg, Md.
Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough, Elkton, Md.

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Shepherdstown, Va.
Rev. William Sparrow, D.D., P. O., Theo. Sem. Fairfax Co., Va.
Rev. William N. Pendleton, Lexington, Va.
Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Richmond, Va.

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D., Wilmington, N. C.
Rev. A. A. Watson, Plymouth, N. C.
Rev. E. M. Forbes, Elizabeth City, N. C.
Rev. J. B. Cheshire, Talborough, N. C.

South Carolina.—Rev. C. P. Hanckel, D.D., Charleston, S. C.
Rev. P. Trapier, Charleston, S. C.
Rev. P. J. Shand, Columbia, S. C.
Rev. C. Gadsden, Charleston, S. C.

Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Augusta, Ga.
Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Macon, Ga.
Rev. Richard Johnson, Atalanta, Ga.
Rev. Wm. C. Williams, Savannah, Ga.

Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Pensacola, Fa.
Rev. A. A. Miller, St. Augustine, Fa.
Rev. W. W. Bours, Jacksonville, Fa.
Rev. W. T. Saunders, Apalachicola, Fa.

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Greensborough, Ala.
Rev. H. C. Lay, Huntsville, Ala.
Rev. F. R. Hanson, Demopolis, Ala.
Rev. Geo. F. Cushman, Catawba, Ala.

Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Vicksburg, Miss.
Rev. James A. Fox, Warren Co., Miss.
Rev. Thos. S. Savage, M.D., Pass Christian, Miss.
Rev. Benjamin Halstead, Lexington, Miss.

Louisiana.—Rev. Wm. T. Leacock, D.D., New Orleans, La.
Rev. Charles Goodrich, D.D., New Orleans, La.
Rev. R. W. Trader, Thibodeaux, La.
Rev. Daniel S. Lewis, St. Francisville, La.

Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Galveston, Tex.
Rev. Charles Gillette, Austin, Tex.
Rev. E. H. Downing, Brenham, Wash'n Co.
Rev. Edward Fontaine, Austin, Tex.

Tennessee.—Rev. Charles Tomes, Nashville, Tenn.
Rev. John A. Harrison, Jackson, Tenn.
Rev. Thos. W. Humes, Knoxville, Tenn.
Rev. John L. Gay, London, Roan Co., Tenn.

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Louisville, Ky.
Rev. Robert McMurdy, Washington, Ky.
Rev. Edward F. Berkley, Lexington, Ky.
Rev. John N. Norton, Frankfort, Ky.

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Portsmouth, O.
Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Cincinnati, O.
Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Cleveland, O.
Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, Cincinnati, O.

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Indianopolis, Ind.
Rev. John M. Goshorn, New Albany, Ind
Rev. Geo. H. McKnight, Madison, Ind.
Rev. Wm. G. Spencer, Terre Haute, Ind.

Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., Alton, Ill.
Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Robin's Nest, Peoria Co., Ill.
Rev. Charles P. Clarke, Ottawa, Ill.

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. D. Gordon Estes, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Robert E. Terry, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Wm. B. Corbyn, Palmyra, Mo.
Rev. Wm. Norman Irish, St. Joseph's, Mo.

Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Middletown, Conn.
Rev. Geo, Willard, Battle Creek, Mich.
Rev. Danl. T. Grinnell, Jackson, Mich.

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Delafield, Wis.
Rev. David Keene, Milwaukie, Wis.
Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, Racine, Wis.
Rev. Josiah Phelps, Mineral Point, Wis.

Iowa.—Rev. Edw. W. Peet, Fort Des Moines, Iowa.
Rev. Geo. Denison, Keokuk, Iowa.
Rev. Jno. Ufford, Muscatine, Iowa.
Rev. R. D. Brooke, Dubuque, Iowa.
Rev. C. C. Townsend, Iowa City, Iowa.

California.—Rev. Orange Clark, D.D., San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. Chris'r B. Wyatt, San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. E. W. Hager, Stockton, Cal.
Rev. J. W. Capen, Coloma, Cal.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner, Gardiner, Me.
Mr. Joseph Bryant, Bangor, Me.
Mr. James Bridge, Augusta, Me.
Mr. George E. B. Jackson, Portland, Me.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Joshua Peirce, Greenland, N. H.
Mr. John Whipple, Concord, N. H.
Mr. Simeon Ide, Claremont, N. H.
Mr. Justus D. Watson, Manchester, N. H.

Vermont.—Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL.D., Windsor, Vt.
Mr. Sylvester Deming, Arlington, Vt.
Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Burlington, Vt.
Mr. Timothy P. Redfield, Montpelier, Vt.

Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton, Boston, Mass.
Mr. Edw. A. Newton, Pittsfield, Mass.
Mr. Saml. L. Crocker, Taunton, Mass.
Mr. James S. Amory, Boston, Mass.

Rhode Island.—Mr. Alexander Duncan, Providence, R. I.
Mr. David King, M.D., Newport, R. I.
Mr. Geo. S. Wardwell, Woonsocket, R. I.
Mr. Geo. L. Cooke, Warren, R. I.
Mr. Wm. Binney, Providence, R. I.

Connecticut.—Mr. Wm. F. Lee, Hartford, Conn.
Mr. Wm. W. Boardman, New Haven, Conn.
Mr. Chas. A. Lewis, New London, Conn.
Mr. E. Ferris Bishop, Bridgeport, Conn.

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffmann, Superior Court, New York.
Mr. Martin Lee, Granville, Wash'n Co., New York.
Mr. Nathl. S. Benton. New York.
Mr. Luther Bradish, New York.
Mr. Floyd Smith, 283 West Twenty-First Street, New York, N. Y.

Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont, Pierrepont Manor, N. Y.
Mr. Horatio Seymour, Utica, N. Y.
Mr. Washington Hunt, Lockport, N. Y.
Mr. Benj. Pringle, Batavia, N. Y.
Mr. Fred. W. Hubbard.

New Jersey.—Mr. Jacob W. Miller, Morristown, N. J.
Mr. Daniel B. Ryall, Freehold, N. J.
Mr. Wm. Wright, Newark, N. J.
Mr. Robert B. Aertsen, Germantown, Penn.
Joel W. Condit, Newark, N. J.
J. H. Thompson, M.D., Salem, N. J.

Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Wilkesbarre, Penna.
Mr. Herman Cope, Philadelphia, Penna.
Mr. Geo. M. Stroud, Philadelphia, Penna.
Mr. Richard Henry Lee, Washington, Penna.

Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Dupont, Wilmington, Del.
Mr. Alex. J. Dupont, Wilmington, Del.
Mr. S. M. Curtis, Newark, Del.
Mr. Jas. F. Burton.
Mr. Gregory Chandler.

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Chestertown, Md.
Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D., Baltimore, Md.
Mr. James M. Campbell, Baltimore, Md.
Mr. John H. Alexander, LL.D., Baltimore, Md.

Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Martinsburg, Va.
Mr. F. H. Smith.
Mr. Wm. C. Rives.
Mr. Phillip Williams, Winchester, Va.
Mr. Morgan Nelson, Wheeling, Va.

North Carolina.—Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M.D., Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. Edward Lee Winslow, Fayetteville, N. C.
Mr. Josiah Collins, Scuppernong, N. C.
Mr. W. H. Battle, Chapel Hill, N. C.

South Carolina.—Mr. Robert F. W. Allston, Georgetown, S. C.
Mr. J. Pringle Smith, Charleston, S. C.
Mr. Charles Sinkler, Vances Ferry, S. C.
Edward McCrady.

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Princeton, N. J.
Mr. Daniel Griffin, Columbus, Ga.
Mr. Robert H. Gardiner, Jr., Augusta, Ga.
Mr. P. M. Nightingale.

Florida.—Mr. Walker Anderson, LL. D. Pensacola, Fa.
Mr. George Whitfield, Waukenah, Jefferson Co., Fa.
Mr. Thomas Hayward,
Mr. G. R. Fairbanks, St. Augustine, Fa.

Alabama.—Mr. M. J. Conley, Montgomery, Ala.
Mr. A. W. Ellerbe, Liberty Hill, Dallas Co., Ala.
Mr. Robert S. Bunker, Mobile, Ala.
Mr. John D. Phelan, Marion, Perry Co., Ala.

Mississippi.—Mr. George S. Yerger.
Mr. Wm. C. Smedes, Vicksburg, Miss.
Mr. James S. Johnston,
Mr. Martin W. Ewing.

Louisiana.—Mr. W. M. Goodrich, New Orleans, La.
Mr. Geo. S. Guion. Lafourche, Baton Rouge, La.
Mr. John L. Lobdell, Lobdell's Store P. O., West La.
Mr. James R. Chambers, New Orleans, La.

Texas.—Mr. James Reily.
Mr. E. B. Nichols, Galveston, Texas.
Mr. E. S. Perkins,
Mr. S. Southwick.

Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg, Nashville, Tenn.
Mr. Wm. H. Stephens, Jackson, Tenn.
Mr. J. P. Shackelford.
Mr. J. F. Jett, Memphis, Tenn.

Kentucky.—Mr. Wm. F. Bullock, Louisville, Ky.
Mr. James P. Arnold.
Mr. Adam Beatty.
Mr. A. H. Churchill, Elizabethtown, Ky.
Mr. John W. Stevenson, Covington, Ky.
Mr. William Cornwall, Louisville, Ky.

Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Columbus, Ohio.
Mr. E. E. Fillmore, Zanesville, Ohio.
Mr. Kent Jarvis, Massillon, Ohio.
Mr. M. Grant Mitchell, Piqua, Ohio.

Indiana.—Mr. James Morrison.
Mr. Andrew Ingram.
Mr. Joseph M. Moore, Madison, Ind.
Mr. Wm. F. Krumbhaar.
Mr. Peter P. Bailey.

Illinois.—Mr. Alexander G. Tyng.
Mr. John Rogers, Chicago, Ill.
Mr. R. P. Lane, Rockford, Ill
Mr. Henry S. Jennings, Dubuque, Iowa.

Missouri.—Mr. John A. Talbot, M. D., Fayette, Mo.
Mr. Harry I. Bodley, St. Louis, Mo.
Mr. Alfred Warner, Palmyra, Mo.
Mr. Robert N. Smith, Lexington, Mo.

Michigan.—Mr. Henry A. Hayden, Jackson, Mich.
Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Detroit, Mich.
Mr. P. E. Demill, Detroit, Mich.
Mr. Benjamin Follet, Ypsilanti, Mich.
Mr. C. C. Trowbridge, Detroit, Mich.

Wisconsin.—Mr. Benjamin McVickar, M. D., Milwaukie, Wis.
Mr. A. L. Pritchard, Watertown, Wis.
Mr. J. Bodwell Doe, Janesville, Wis.
Mr. T. T. Kissam, Berlin, Marquette Co., Wis.

Iowa.—Mr. Geo. Greene, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Mr. Ambrose Dudley.
Mr. Edw. Johnston.
Mr. G. B. Sargent, Davenport, Iowa.

California.—Mr. Edw. Stanley, San Francisco, Cal.
Mr. J. W. Wilde.
Mr. E. D. Townsend.
Mr. L. F. Reed.

JOURNAL

OF THE

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Oct. 1st, 1856.

THIS being the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, Divine Service was celebrated in St. Luke's Church.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of South Carolina, assisted by the Rev. Benjamin Watson, of Western New York, who read the Lessons, and the Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Illinois, who read the Litany.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Right Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D.D., L.L.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont, assisted by the Right Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky, who read the Epistle and Gospel.

The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev. George Washington Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey, from the text, Epistle to the Ephesians, V. 25–6–7: "Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify and cleanse it, with the washing of water by the Word; that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish."

The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins, assisted by the other Bishops present,

and the Benediction was pronounced by the Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D.D., LL.D., Presiding Bishop.

After the conclusion of Public Worship, the Testimonials of those who attended as Members-elect of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies were received by the Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the last General Convention, and recorded.

Whereupon, the list of names was called, and the following members appeared and took their seats.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

Maine.—The Rev. Frederick Gardiner; Rev. Edward Jessup.

New Hampshire.—The Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D.; Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.

Vermont.—The Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D.; Rev. George B. Manser, D.D; Rev. Josiah Swett; Rev. C. R. Batchelder.

Massachusetts.—The Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.; Rev. John Wayland, D.D.; Rev. George M. Randall, D.D.; Rev. Wm. Horton.

Rhode Island.—The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D.D.

Connecticut.—The Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D.; Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D.D.; Rev. A. N. Littlejohn.

New York.—The Rev. William Creighton, D.D.

Western New York.—The Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D.; Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D.; Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D.; Rev. Edward Ingersoll, D.D.

New Jersey.—The Rev. Andrew B. Paterson, D.D.; Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.

Pennsylvania.—The Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D.; Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D.; Rev. Richard Newton, D.D.; Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.

Delaware.—The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle; Rev. George Sheets; Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.

Maryland.—The Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D.; Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D.; Rev. Wm. Pinckney, D.D.; Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough.

Virginia.—The Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D.D.; Rev. Wm. N. Pendleton; Rev. Joshua Peterkin.

North Carolina.—The Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D.; Rev. A. A. Watson.

South Carolina.—The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D.; Rev. Paul Trapier; Rev. Peter L. Shand.

Georgia.—The Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D.: Rev. Seneca G. Bragg; Rev. Richard Johnson; Rev. Wm. C. Williams.

Florida.—The Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D.; Rev. A. A. Miller; Rev. W. W. Bours; Rev. W. T. Saunders.

Alabama.—The Rev. H. C. Lay; Rev. F. R. Hansen; Rev. George F. Cushman.

Mississippi.—The Rev. Wm. W. Lord; Rev. James A. Fox; Rev. Benjamin Halsted.

Louisiana.—The Rev. R. W. Trader.

Texas.—The Rev. Charles Gillette; Rev. E. H. Downing.

Tennessee.—The Rev. Charles Tomes; Rev. Thomas W. Humes.
Kentucky.—The Rev. James Craik, D.D.; Rev. Robert McMurdy; Rev. Edward F. Berkley; Rev. John N. Norton.
Ohio.—The Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D.; Rev. R. Bethel Claxton, D.D.; Rev. W. R. Nicholson.
Indiana.—The Rev. Jos. C. Talbot, D.D.; Rev. George H. McKnight.
Illinois.—The Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D.; Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.; Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D.
Missouri.—The Rev. Francis J. Clerc; Rev. D. Gordon Estes; Rev. Robert E. Terry.
Michigan.—The Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D.; Daniel T. Grinnell; Rev. Horace Hills, jr.
Wisconsin.—The Rev. Josiah Phelps.
Iowa.—The Rev. Edward W. Peet; Rev. R. D. Brooke

LAY DEPUTIES.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner.
Vermont.—Messrs. Sylvester Deming; Thomas H. Canfield.
Massachusetts.—Messrs. William Appleton; Samuel L. Crocker; James S. Amory.
Rhode Island.—Mr. Alexander Duncan.
Connecticut.—Messrs. Wm. F. Lee; Charles A. Lewis.
New York.—Messrs. Murray Hoffman; Luther Bradish.
Western New York.—Messrs. Washington Hunt; Benjamin Pringle.
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall.
Pennsylvania.—Messrs. John N. Conyngham; George M. Stroud; Herman Cope.
Delaware.—Messrs. Alexis I. Dupont; S. M. Curtis.
Maryland.—Messrs. Ezekiel F. Chambers; Hugh Davy Evans; James M. Campbell; John H. Alexander.
Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams.
Georgia.—Mr. P. M. Nightingale.
Florida.—Mr. G. R. Fairbanks.
Alabama.—Messrs. J. M. Conley; A. W. Ellerbe; John D. Phelan
Mississippi.—Mr. Wm. C. Smedes.
Louisiana.—Messrs. George S. Guion; John L. Lobdell.
Tennessee.—Mr. Francis B. Fogg.
Ohio.—Messrs. John W. Andrews; E. C. Filmore; M. Grant Mitchell.
Illinois.—Mr. Henry S. Jennings.
Michigan.—Messrs. Henry P. Baldwin; P. E. Demill; Henry A. Hayden.
Iowa.—Messrs. V. P. Van Antwerp; G. B. Sargent.

It was then declared that Deputies were present from a majority of the Dioceses, as required by Art. I. of the Constitution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the House proceed to the election of a President.

The Rev. William Creighton, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New York, was nominated.

No other nomination having been made, the vote was taken *viva voce*, and Dr. Creighton was unanimously elected and conducted to the Chair, by the Rev. Drs. Crocker and Hanckel.

On motion of the same, *Resolved* that the House now proceed to the choice of a Secretary.

The Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, was nominated.

No other nomination having been made the vote was taken *viva voce*, and Dr. Howe was unanimously elected.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the Deputies of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, be appointed a Committee to appropriate certain pews in the Church, in which the sittings of this Convention are to be held, for the exclusive use of the members of this House, assigning to the several delegations their respective seats by lot; and that they be further directed to furnish seats for Clergymen present, who are not members of Convention. [See p. 24.]

On motion of the same, *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of this House, and its readiness to proceed to business. The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Stevens, and Mr. Luther Bradish.

On motion of the same, *Resolved*, that the Rules of Order of the last House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, be adopted as the Rules of this House, until others be provided. [See p. 44.]

On motion of the same, *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine and report upon the Credentials of Deputies-elect to this House.

The Chair appointed the Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Randall, and Mr. Wm. Appleton.

The following motion was offered by the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that when this House shall adjourn, it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and that the time of meeting on the subsequent mornings of the Session be nine o'clock.

On motion, the question was divided so as to allow the House to act first upon the proposal to meet to-morrow at ten,—which was adopted.

A motion was then made to amend the second part of the Order, so as to provide that the stated time of meeting throughout the Session should be half-past nine

o'clock, A. M. This proposed amendment was lost. The question was then put upon the second clause of the Order as originally proposed, and was decided in the affirmative.

So the hour of nine o'clock, A. M., was fixed upon as the stated time of meeting throughout the remainder of the Session.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the President appoint during the recess of the House, the following Standing Committees, to wit.: On the State of the Church, to consist of one member from each Diocese; on the General Theological Seminary; on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; on the Admission of New Dioceses; on the Consecration of Bishops; on Canons; on Expenses; on Unfinished Business; on Elections; and on the Prayer Book;—each of which to consist of nine members. [See p.22

On motion of the same, *Ordered*, that Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Clergymen of the United Church of England and Ireland, also of the Episcopal Church of Scotland, who may be sojourning in this City; Trustees, Professors, and Students of the General Theological Seminary; other Students of Theology who are Candidates for Holy Orders in this Church; former Members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; Members of the Vestry of St. Luke's Church in the City of Philadelphia, in which Church this Convention holds its present session, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

PHILADELPHIA, October 2d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Right Rev. Bishop McCoskry, of Michigan, assisted by the Right Rev. Bishop Atkinson, of North Carolina.

When the roll was called, the following members not present yesterday at the call of the House, answered to their names.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

New Hampshire.—The Rev. Thomas G. Salter.
Rhode Island.—The Rev. George W. Hathaway.

New York.—The Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D.
New Jersey.—The Rev. Clarkson Dunn.
Louisiana.—The Rev. Charles Goodrich, D. D.
Texas.—The Rev. Benjamin Eaton.
Tennessee.—The Rev. John L. Gay.
Iowa.—The Rev. George Denison.

LAY DEPUTIES.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide.
New York.—Mr. Martin Lee.
New Jersey.—Mr. Jacob W. Miller.
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad.
North Carolina.—Messrs. Edward Lee Winslow, Josiah Collins, W. H. Battle.
Georgia.—Mr. Daniel Griffin.
Alabama.—Mr. Robert S. Bunker.
Mississippi.—Mr. James S. Johnson.
Texas.—Mr. E. B. Nichols.
Tennessee.—Mr. J. F. Jett.
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill.
Illinois.—Mr. John Rogers.
Missouri.—Mr. John A. Talbot, M. D.

The Rev. Dr. Balch announced a Message from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they had organised and were ready for business, having elected the Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D. D., of the Diocese of Maryland, Secretary.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The President announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Committee on the State of Church.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D., Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Thomas G. Salter, Rev. G. B. Manser, D. D., Rev. George M. Randall, D. D., Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D., Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D. D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D. D., Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D., Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. Samuel Bowman, D. D., Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. William Pinckney, D. D., Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D. D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D.. Rev. Edward E. Ford, D. D., Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. Henry C. Lay, Rev. James A. Fox, Rev. William T. Leacock, D. D., Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. Charles Tomes, Rev. John N. Norton, Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D. D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D. D., Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Azel D. Cole, D. D., Rev. Edward W. Peet.

Committee on Theological Seminary.—Rev. W. E. Wyatt, D. D., *Maryland*, Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D. D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. Edward F. Berkley, *Kentucky*, Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D. D., *Illinois*, Rev. Peter J. Shand, *South Carolina*, Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., *North Carolina*, Mr. Herman Cope, *Pennsylvania*, Mr. W. C. Pierrepont, *Western New York*, Mr. Luther Bradish, *New York*.

Committee on Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.—Rev. William Bacon Stevens, D. D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. Francis Vinton, D. D., *New York*, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, *Connecticut*, Rev. A. Stubbs, D. D., *New Jersey*, Rev. David Keene, *Wisconsin*, Mr. Edward A. Newton, *Massachusetts*, Mr. Robert H. Gardiner, *Maine*, Mr. J. N. Conyngham, *Pennsylvania*, Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, *Michigan*.

Committee on New Dioceses.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., *Kentucky*, Rev. John A. Hicks, D. D., *Vermont*, Rev. John Wayland, D. D., *Massachusetts*, Rev. A. A. Miller, *Florida*, Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., *Virginia*, Mr. A. H. Churchill, *Kentucky*, Mr. F. B. Fogg, *Tennessee*, Mr. W. Appleton, *Massachusetts*, Mr. George M. Stroud, *Pennsylvania*.

Committee on Consecration of Bishops.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., *North Carolina*, Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., *Delaware*, Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., *Connecticut*, Rev. Paul Trapier, *South Carolina*, Rev. Richard Newton, D. D., *Pennsylvania*, Mr. P. E. Demill, *Michigan*, Mr. J. M. Conley, *Alabama*, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, *Vermont*, Mr. Alexander Duncan, *Rhode Island*.

Committee on Canons.—Rev. William Cooper Mead, D.D., *Connecticut*, Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D. D., *Massachusetts*, Rev. W. Bacon Stevens, D. D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., *New Hampshire*, Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., *New York*, Mr. H. D. Evans, *Maryland*, Mr. Philip Williams, *Virginia*, Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, *Maryland*, Mr. Murray Hoffman, *New York*.

Committee on Expenses.—Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D., *Western New York*, Rev. C. Gillette, *Texas*, Rev. R. L. Goldsborough, *Maryland*, Rev. S. C. Brinckle, *Delaware*, Mr. Robert B. Aertsen, *New Jersey*, Mr. Herman Cope, *Pennsylvania*, Mr. Edward L. Winslow, *North Carolina*, Mr. C. C. Trowbridge, *Michigan*, Mr. Peter B. Bailey, *Indiana*.

Committee on Unfinished Business.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D. D., *Michigan*, Rev. S. G. Bragg, *Georgia*, Rev. Edward Ingersoll, D. D., *Western New York*, Rev. A. A. Watson, *North Carolina*, Rev. Samuel Chase, D. D., *Illinois*, Mr. D. B. Ryall, *New Jersey*, Mr. Charles A. Lewis, *Connecticut*, Mr. Benjamin McVickar, M. D., *Wisconsin*, Mr. John A. Talbot, M. D., *Missouri*.

Committee on Elections.—Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D. D., *New York*, Rev. William D. Wilson, D. D., *Western New York*, Rev. Milo Mahan, D. D., *New Jersey*, Rev. Charles Goodrich, D. D., *Louisiana*, Rev. John L. Gay, *Tennessee*, Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, *Vermont*, Mr. Joseph M. Moore, *Indiana*, Mr. W. T. Lee, *Connecticut*, Mr. Jacob W. Miller, *New Jersey*.

Committee on Prayer Book.—Rev. H. M. Mason, D. D., *Maryland*, Rev. Henry Waterman, *Rhode Island*, Rev. A. B. Patterson, D. D., *New Jersey*, Rev. C. M. Butler, D. D., *Ohio*, Rev. Edward Jessup, *Maine*, Rev. H. Gregory, D. D., *Western New York*, Mr. W. W. Boardman, *Connecticut*, Mr. N. S. Benton, *New York*, Mr. William C. Rives, *Virginia*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that the Secretary be instructed to cause to be printed five hundred copies of the List of Members of this House, and also of the Standing Committees, for the use of the House.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed the Rev.

George M. Randall, D. D., a deputy from the Diocese of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary laid before the House credentials presented by sundry individuals, appointed to represent the Dioceses from which they came respectively, as substitutes for members elect, who are unable to attend. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Chambers, *Ordered*, that all Certificates of appointment as members, be referred to the Committee on Elections, without reading the same. (See p. 26.)

The Rev. Dr. Bowman, on behalf of the Committee appointed to assign seats to the members of this House, &c., (see pp. 20, 33), presented the following report:

The Committee, to whom it was referred to designate by lot the seats for the various delegations composing this Body, respectfully report, that they have discharged the duty committed to them, and that two pews, starting at the Chancel and running from the middle to the side passages, have been selected for each Delegation, and in the mode prescribed. The pews will be found designated by having the name of the Diocese, from which the Delegation comes, attached to them. The Committee has also, in compliance with the further direction of the House, set apart five wall pews at the western end of the Church and on each side of it (excepting, however, the corner pews,) for the use of gentlemen invited by a vote of the House, to honorary seats in this Body.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. BOWMAN,
Chairman.

Philadelphia, Oct. 2d, 1856.

The Secretary presented documents from the Church in California, praying for admission into union with this Convention, which on his motion were referred to the Standing Committee on the admission of new Dioceses. (See p. 29.)

The Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New Jersey, appeared and took his seat.

The Secretary presented the Triennial Reports of the Right Rev. the Missionary Bishops to China and Africa. (See p. 30.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, for the Committee appointed to wait on the House of Bishops to announce the organization of this House, and its readiness to proceed to business, reported that they had attended to the duty entrusted to them.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier, moved to proceed to the consideration of the Report of the Joint Committee of the last General Convention, on the "Judiciary System of the Church," which was by a vote of that Body (see page 123

of the Journal of 1853) recommended to be presented to the attention of this House on the second day of its session.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, presented the Report, (See Appendix, F.,) and, in amendment of the above, moved that it be made the order of the day for to-morrow, Friday, at 11 o'clock, A. M.; which motion prevailed. (See p. 30.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead:

Ordered, That the Deputies from each Diocese, be requested to present, at the opening of the Convention to-morrow, the certificate required by Canon 1st of 1847 in relation to the trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion of the same, *Ordered*, that the Deputies from each Diocese represented in this Convention, be called on to-morrow to state what documents they have to present to the House, agreeably to Canon XII. of 1853; and to lay the same on the Secretary's table; and also to pay the Treasurer the quota required by Canon XV., of 1853, towards the expenses of this Convention. (See Appendix D.)

Mr. Philip Williams gave notice that there would be presented, to-morrow morning, a report from a minority of the Committee on "the Judiciary System of the Church." (See p. 29.)

The Secretary having asked permission to appoint a Second Assistant Secretary,

On motion of Mr. Josiah Collins, *Resolved*, that the Secretary have leave to appoint as many Assistants, as he may think proper, *Whereupon*, the Secretary announced that he had appointed the Rev. Daniel Kendig, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, as Second Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION—FRIDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Friday, October 3d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Creighton, President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and a Deputy from the Diocese of New York, assisted by the Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Connecticut.

On motion of Mr. Evans, the calling of the Roll was dispensed with.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following Deputies-elect—not before present—appeared and took their seats:

CLERICAL, *Maine*, Rev. Alex. Burgess; *Connecticut*, Rev. H. Croswell, D.D.; *North Carolina*, Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D.; *Illinois*, Rev. Charles P. Clarke; *Iowa*, Rev. John Ufford; LAY, *New Hampshire*, Mr. Justice D. Watson; *Georgia*, Mr. James Potter; *Iowa*, Mr. George Green.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

The Committee on elections respectfully report, that they have examined the credentials (see p. 24) presented by the several Deputies to the Convention, and have found them correct according to the following list:

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Fredk. Gardiner, Rev. George A. Durell, Rev. Edwd. Jessup.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., Rev. Edward Bourns, LL.D., Rev. Thomas G. Salter, Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. Geo. B. Manser, D.D., Rev. Josiah Swett, Rev. C. R. Batchelder.

Massachusetts—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D., Rev. William Horton.

Rhode Island.—Rev. N. B. Crocker, D.D., Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. Geo. W. Hathaway, Rev. H. Williams.

Connecticut.—Rev. H. Croswell, D.D., Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. Rob. A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn.

Supplemental.—Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D. D., Rev. F. J. Goodwin, D.D., Rev. E. E. Beardsley, D.D., Rev. J. M. Willey.

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edw. Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.

Supplemental.—Rev. John McVickar, D.D., Rev. Wm. L. Johnston, D.D., Rev. Joseph H. Price, D.D., Rev. John J. Tucker.

Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D., Rev. Edward Ingersoll, D.D.

New Jersey.—Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. And. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.

Supplemental. Rev. W.H.N. Stewart, Rev. James A. Williams, Rev. David Brown, Rev. Josiah M. Bartlett.

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Rich. Newton, D.D., Rev. Saml. Bowman, D.D.

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. Geo. Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Rev. Wm. Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough.

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D.D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin.

Supplemental.—Rev. R. Wilmer, Rev. Cornelius Walker, Rev. James May, D.D., Rev. Geo. Woodbridge.

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire.

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. C. P. Gadsden.

Georgia.—Rev. Edw. E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Richard Johnston, Rev. Wm. C. Williams.

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. W. Bours, Rev. W. S. Saunders.

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. G. F. Cushman.

Supplemental.—Rev. F. B. Lee, Rev. J. M. Mitchell, Rev. J. A. Massey, Rev. J. H. Ingraham.

Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. James A. Fox, Rev. Thos. S. Savage, M. D., Rev. Benjamin Halsted.

Louisiana.—Rev. Wm. T. Leacock, D.D., Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader, Rev. Daniel S. Lewis.

Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. Charles Gillette, Rev. E. H. Downing, Rev. Edward Fontaine.

Tennessee.—Rev. C. Tomes, Rev. J. A. Harrison, Rev. Thos. W. Humes, Rev. John L. Gay.

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Robert McMurdy, Rev. Edward F. Berkley, Rev. John N. Norton.

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson.

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. John M. Goshorn, Rev. Geo. H. McKnight, Rev. Wm. G. Spencer.

Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Saml. Chase, D.D., Rev. Charles P. Clarke.

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robt. G. Terry, Rev. Wm. Norman Irish.

Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. Geo. Willard.

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Jos. H. Nichols, Rev. Josiah Phelps.

Iowa.—Rev. Edw. W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. R. D. Brooke.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Maine.—Robt. H. Gardiner, Joseph Bryant, James Bridge, Geo. E. B. Jackson.

New Hampshire.—Joshua Peirce, John Whipple, Simeon Ide, Justus D. Watson.

Vermont.—Isaac F. Redfield, LL. D., Sylvester Deming, Thomas H. Canfield, Timothy P. Redfield.

Massachusetts.—Wm. Appleton, Edw. A. Newton, Saml. L. Crocker, James S. Amory.

Rhode Island.—Alexander Duncan, David King, Geo. S. Wardwell, G. L. Cook.

Connecticut.—Wm. F. Lee, Wm. W. Boardman, Chas. A. Lewis, E. Ferris Bishop.

Supplemental.—Philip Riley, Pliny A. Jewett, M. D., Erastus Williams, Origen S. Seymour.

New York.—Murray Hoffman, Martin Lee, Nathaniel S. Benton, Luther Bradish.

Supplemental.—Martin Lee, Orlando Smeads, Cyrus Curtis, Floyd Smith.

Western New York.—Wm. C. Pierrepont, Horatio Seymour, Washington Hunt, Benj. Pringle.

New Jersey.—Jacob W. Miller, Daniel B. Ryall, Joseph H. Thompson, M. D., William Wright.

Supplemental.—Joel W. Condit, S. V. Hoffman, James J. Chetwood, Joseph H. Thompson, M. D.

Pennsylvania.—John N. Conyngham, Herman Cope, Geo. M. Stroud, Richard Henry Lee.

Delaware.—S. F. Dupont, U. S. N., Alex. J. Dupont, S. M. Curtis, Jas. F. Burton.

Maryland.—Ezekiel F. Chambers, Hugh Davy Evans, James M. Campbell, John H. Alexander.

Virginia.—D. H. Conrad, F. H. Smith, Wm. C. Rives, Philip Williams.

Supplemental.—E. T. Taylor, R. H. Cunningham, Morgan Nelson, R. J. Barbour.

North Carolina.—Thomas H. Wright, Edward Lee Winslow, Josiah Collins, W. H. Battle.

South Carolina.—Robt. F. W. Allston, Benjamin Huger, M. D., C. H. Sinkler, David McCrady.

Georgia.—James Potter, Daniel Griffin, Robt. H. Gardiner, Jr., P. M. Nightingale.

Florida.—Walker Anderson, LL. D., Geo. Whitefield, Thomas Hayward, J. R. Fairbanks.

Alabama.—J. M. Conley, A. W. Ellerbe, Robt. S. Bunker, John D. Phelan.

Supplemental.—H. A. Schroeder, J. D. Hone, A. Banners, Thos. A. Harrison.

Mississippi.—Geo. S. Yerger, Wm. C. Smedes, James S. Johnston, Martin W. Ewing.

Louisiana.—Wm. M. Goodrich, Geo. S. Guion, John L. Lobdell, Jas. Chambers,

Texas.—James Reily, E. B. Nichols, E. S. Perkins, S. Southwick.

Tennessee.—F. B. Fogg, Wm. H. Stephens, J. P. Shackelford, J. F. Jett.

Kentucky.—Wm. F. Bullock, Jas. P. Arnold, A. H. Churchill, John W. Stevenson.

Ohio.—John W. Andrews, E. E. Fillmore, Kent Jarvis, M. Grant Mitchell.

Indiana.—Jas. Morrison, Andrew Ingram, Joseph M. Moore, Wm. F. Krumbhaar.

Illinois.—Alexander G. Tyng, John Rogers, R. P. Lane, Henry S. Jennings.

Missouri.—John A. Talbot, M. D., Harry I. Bodley, Alfred Warner, Robert N. Smith.

Michigan.—Henry A. Hayden, Henry P. Baldwin, P. E. Demill, Benjamin Follett.

Wisconsin.—Benjamin McVickar, A. L. Prichard, J. Bodwell Doe, T. T. Kissam.

Iowa.—Geo. Greene, V. P. Van Antwerp, E. W. Johnston, G. B. Sargent.

The Rev. Dr. Craik, on behalf of the Committee on the admission of New Dioceses, (See p. 24,) presented the following report:

The Committee on the admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the application of the Diocese of California to be admitted into union with the General Convention, respectfully report: That they have examined the printed Journals of the proceedings of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of California, held on the third and fourth days of May, 1854, and on the seventh and eighth days of May, 1856.

That these printed Journals contain a correct account of the proceedings of the Convention at the Sessions specified, was attested to the Committee by the Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt, a member of the Convention at both of these Sessions, and by the Hon. Edward Stanley, a member, and also the Assistant Secretary of the Convention of 1856.

By the action of the Convention of the Diocese at these several terms, a new Constitution was regularly adopted, the first Article of which is as follows:

"The Church in this Diocese shall be known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of California, in adherence to the Constitution and authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, as required in the fifth Article of said Constitution."

The adoption of this Constitution and the present application for admission, being a full compliance with the terms of the resolution adopted by this House in the Session of 1853, in reference to the application then made by the Diocese of California; and being in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the Church, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The house of Bishops concurring, that the Diocese of California be and hereby is admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES CRAIK, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, *Ordered*, that a message be sent to the House of Bishops, informing them of the passage of the above resolution respecting the Church in California. (See p. 33.)

Mr. Williams presented, according to notice given yesterday, a Minority Report on the Judiciary System of the Church. (See Appendix, F.)

On the motion of Mr. Hoffman, *Ordered*, that this Report be printed for the use of the House.

The Rev. Dr. F. Vinton called on the Secretary to report whether he had complied with Canon L. of 1832, requiring him to give particular notice to the Ecclesiastical authority of the Church in every Diocese, concerning the proposed alterations of the Constitution now awaiting the final action of this Convention.

The Secretary reported that he had done so.

A communication from the Convention of the Diocese of New York (See Appendix H.) was read by the President, and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, was referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See p. 47.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Manser, the Secretary was instructed to cause fifteen hundred copies of the Sermon delivered at the opening of this Convention, by the Right Rev. the Bishop of New Jersey, to be printed.

The time for the "order of the day" (see page 25) having arrived, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Berkley, the same was postponed to make way for the reception of a resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Trapier, to wit:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report on the propriety of striking out from Article IV. of the Constitution, all after the word "shall," in the third line, and inserting instead, as follows, viz: reside in his own Diocese, and confine the exercise of his Episcopal office thereto, unless, (see page 50,) &c., as at present.

The Order of the Day, to wit:—The report of the Committee on the Judiciary System of the Church, now recurred.

On motion of Mr. Hoffman, the Order of the Day was further postponed to give place to the consideration of the Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, proposed and acted on at the General Convention of 1853. (See p. 34.)

Mr. Hoffman then moved that the Amendment proposed be ratified. Pending the discussion of this motion,

The Secretary announced the reception of the Triennial Report of the Missionary Bishop of the South-West, which, together with the Reports (see Appendix E.) of the Missionary Bishops to China and Africa, yesterday received, were, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

An invitation was received from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, to visit their New Hall in this City. On motion of Mr. Collins, *Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be returned for this polite invitation.

The Rev. Dr. Talbot offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be and they are hereby requested to take into consideration Canon IV., of 1850, "Of Episcopal Visitations," with a view to enquire whether it is sufficiently explicit with reference to the duty of a Bishop to visit every Congregation in his Diocese, and whether any, and, if any, what limitations exist as to the

right of every Parish to the benefits of Episcopal visitation at stated periods, and to report their opinion thereon to this House at as early a day as possible. (See p. 33.)

Mr. Evans offered the following Amendment to the Constitution, which, on his motion was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 46.)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the third Article of the same the following article.

ART. 3. The Bishops of this Church shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, composed of Clergy and Laity; and, when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the above proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

Mr. Evans also offered the following proposed Canons, to wit: (see page 89), which, on his motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be directed to consider and report an amendment of Canon LII, of 1832, entitled, "Of the Alms and contributions at the Holy Communion," so as to require the minister of the Parish or such Church Officers as shall be appointed by him, to devote a fixed proportion of the alms and contributions at the Holy Communion on Easter Day, to the acting Bishop of the Diocese, to be applied by him to such pious and charitable uses, as shall by him be thought fit. (See p. 46.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That all Canons brought before the last General Convention, and by it referred to this Convention be referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 34.)

Rev. Dr. Cuming offered a motion that the hour of adjournment hereafter, until further order, be two o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Duncan moved to amend the order, by substituting three for two.

The question being taken on the amendment, it was adopted, and made the order of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY'S SESSION—SATURDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 4th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New Hampshire, assisted by the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Indiana.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

CLERICAL, *Indiana*, the Rev. W. G. Spencer. LAY, *North Carolina*, Mr. Wm. H. Battle; *Georgia*, Mr. James Potter; *Illinois*, Mr. R. P. Lane.

Mr. Bradish, one of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, appointed at the last General Convention, made a verbal Report, and offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, If the House of Bishops concur, that, a joint Committee of two Houses, be appointed to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of aged, infirm and disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in case of the concurrence of the House of Bishops, that . be of the Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that the Committee on the part of this House, consist of five members.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Hanckel, Burroughs and Stevens, and Messrs. Josiah Collins and William Appleton. (See p. 41.)

The Rev. Mr. Trapier offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report on the project of appending to Article III., of the Constitution, the following words, viz: All meetings of the Bishops as a House shall be with open doors, except, when acting on nominations or elections to Episcopates.

Which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, was laid on the table.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur, in the admission of the Diocese of California into union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. (See p. 29.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, *Ordered*, that the Secretary call the names of Deputies elect from the Diocese of California.

On the call of the Secretary, the following answered to their names, and took their seats, as members of this House,: The Rev. C. B. Wyatt, Mr. Edward Stanley.

The Rev. Mr. Berkley moved that the Committee to whom the House assigned the duty of designating seats for the several Deputations, be instructed to indicate a place for the Deputies from the Diocese of California.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens moved to amend, by making it the duty of the Committee also, to provide, if possible, more agreeable sittings for those Deputies, whose allotment places them at an inconvenient distance from the Chair of the President, which amendment was adopted: and the order thus amended, was passed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to report to this House, what alterations, if any, are necessary in the XLV., Canon of 1832; in order to give greater liberty to the Clergy in the ministration of divine service, and greater efficiency to the practical working of our Church. (See p. 51.)

Mr. Henry P. Baldwin presented the following draft of a Canon, entitled "Of Episcopal Residence," which, on motion of the same, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

"It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church, to reside within his Diocese, and not to absent himself therefrom, for more than three months consecutively, except upon the business of the Church, or with the assent of the Convention of his Diocese, or for the recovery of his health. Whenever a Bishop shall have absented himself from his Diocese without the previous assent of the Convention thereof for three consecutive months, it shall be his duty to report to the next Diocesan Convention, the fact and the reason of such absence." (See p. 39)

The Secretary stated that he had received a Certificate of Election of a Substitute in place of one of the Lay Deputies elect from the Diocese of South Carolina, unable to attend, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

The hour for the "Order of the Day" having arrived, the House proceeded to the consideration of the proposed

Amendment of the VIth Article of the Constitution. (See p. 30.)

After prolonged discussion, on motion of Mr. Phelan, *Ordered*, that the further consideration of the subject be postponed to Monday at 11 o'clock, A. M. (See p. 36.)

The Secretary read an Invitation from the President and Managers of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, to the Members of this General Convention, to visit that Institution at some day and hour to be selected by the Convention.

On motion of Mr. A. H. Churchill, the Secretary was charged to return the thanks of this House for the opportunity politely proffered to them.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report, to wit:

The Committee on Elections respectfully report that J. Pringle Smith, Esq., has been duly appointed Lay Delegate from the Diocese of South Carolina, in place of Dr. Benj. Huger of the same Diocese, who has signified his inability to attend.

MILO MAHAN,
On behalf of the Committee.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY'S SESSION—MONDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 6th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of South Carolina, assisted by the Rev. N. B. Crocker, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Rhode Island.

The Minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following named Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

CLERICAL, *Ohio*, Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D.; *Wisconsin*, Rev. David Keene. LAY, *Maine*, George E. P. Jackson; *Vermont*, Isaac F. Redfield, LL. D., and Timothy P. Redfield; *Connecticut*, Wm. W. Boardman.

The Committee on Canons, by their Chairman, the Rev. Dr. Mead, presented the following report:

The Committee on Canons to whom were referred all proposed Canons referred by the last General Convention to this Convention have had under consideration a proposed Canon, found on page 445, of the Journal of 1853, and entitled, "Of a Minister declaring his renunciation of the Ministry, and abandoning the Communion of this Church" and

respectfully report, that in their opinion it is inexpedient to provide by Canon for the restoration of a person to the Ministry, who has been deposed from the same, and that inasmuch as existing Canons provide for all other cases likely to occur which are embraced in the proposed Canon, it is unnecessary to take any further action concerning the same, and they ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

(See infra, and page 61.)

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel presented a Memorial from the Diocese of South Carolina, respecting the Kohne Legacy to the General Theological Seminary, (See Appendix. H.) which on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary. (See pp. 77–80.)

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Mason offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It is desirable that Churches believed to possess the same fundamentals of faith and discipline should be brought into closer intercourse, and

Whereas, There are many Members of the Church of Sweden, emigrating to our shores, to whom it is important to present this Church in an attitude that may preserve such emigrants in Christian faith and practice.

Therefore, *Resolved*, The House of Bishops consenting, that a Joint Committee, consisting of three on the part of this House, be appointed to open a friendly intercourse with the Church of Sweden, and report to the next General Convention.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the resolution was amended so as to make it the duty of the Committee therein provided for, to inquire into the expediency of opening a friendly intercourse, &c.

The Resolution, as amended, was adopted. (See p. 147.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the House resolved to increase the Committee, so that it shall consist of five members.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. H. M. Mason and Hawks, the Rev. Mr. Trapier, and Messrs. Collins and Evans.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Vinton, *Ordered*, that the Report of the Committee on Canons presented this day, wherein they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the Canon referred by the last to the present General Convention, entitled "Of a Minister declaring his renunciation of the Ministry and abandoning the Communion of the Church," be made the Order of the Day for Thursday next at 11 o'clock. (See p. 61.)

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, *Ordered*, that the Secretary

be authorized and instructed to adopt such measures as may be practicable for diminishing the disturbance occasioned to this House, by the noise of vehicles passing by the place of its assemblage.

The hour for the "Order of the Day" (see page 31) having arrived, Mr. Phelan moved that the same be postponed until to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, which was negatived.

The Rev. Mr. Berkley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the debate on the amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution be closed this day, at a quarter before one o'clock, P. M., and the vote on the same be taken at that hour.

Mr. Green raised the question, whether this motion was in order, and asked the decision of the Chair.

The Chair decided it in the affirmative, whereupon, Mr. Green appealed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Berkley, the appeal was laid on the table.

A motion was made by the Rev. Mr. Tomes to lay the motion of Mr. Berkley, now before the House, to wit: the order to end the debate and take the vote on the Order of the day at a quarter before 1, on the table. A division having been called for, the motion was carried by a vote of 101 ayes to 39 noes.

The Triennial Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary (see Appendix F.) was presented by the President, and on motion of Rev. Dr. Hanckel, referred to the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary. (See p. 77.)

The question being now to be taken on the "Order of the Day," a vote by Orders and Dioceses was demanded by the Deputies of New York, which resulted as follows:

Clergy, Dioceses represented 31.—AYES, 18; NAYS, 13.
Laity, " " 27.—AYES, 11; NAYS, 15. DIVIDED, 1.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Chas. Burroughs, D.D.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. C. R. Batchelder—*Aye.* Rev. Josiah Swett—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. N. B. Crocker, D.D., Rev. Geo. W. Hathaway—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. H. Croswell, D.D., Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn—*Aye.* Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D.D.—*Nay.*

New York.—Rev. William Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye*

Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D., Rev. Edward Ingersoll, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. Andrew B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough—*Aye.* Rev. Wm. Pinckney, D.D.—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. W. W. Bours, Rev. W. S. Saunders—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay, Rev. F. R. Hansen, Rev. George F. Cushman—*Aye.*

Tennessee.—Rev. C. Tomes, Rev. John L. Gay, Rev. John A. Harrison—*Aye.* Rev. T. W. Humes—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Robert McMurdy—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. Jos. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. George H. McKnight, Rev. Wm. G. Spencer—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Samuel C. Chase, D.D., Rev. Chas. P. Clarke—*Aye.* Rev. S. Y. M'Masters, LL.D.—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robt. G. Terry, Rev. Norman Irish—*Aye.*

Michigan.—Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Horace Hills, jr., Rev. Geo. Willard, Rev. F. H. Cuming, D.D.—*Aye.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Josiah Phelps—*Aye.*

California.—Rev. C. B. Wyatt—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide, Mr. Justus D. Watson—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Mr. Sylvester Deming, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Mr. Timothy P. Redfield—*Aye.* Mr. Isaac F. Redfield—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Alexander Duncan—*Aye.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. Luther Bradish—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. Benjamin Pringle—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.* Mr. John H. Alexander—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. G. R. Fairbanks, Mr. Geo. Whitfield—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Mr. J. M. Conley, Mr. Robert S. Bunker—*Aye.* Mr. John B. Phelan—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Mr. John A. Talbot, M. D.—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edw. Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Frederick Gardiner—*Nay.* Rev. Edward Jessup—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., Rev. Wm. Horton—*Nay.* Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Sam. T. Carpenter, Rev. Geo. Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D.D., Rev. Wm. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire—*Nay.* Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D.—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. C. P. Gadsden—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Nay.* Rev. Ed. E. Ford, D. D.—*Aye.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. James A. Fox—*Nay.* Rev. Benj. Halsted.—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. T. Leacock, D.D.—*Aye.*

Texas.—Rev. Charles Gillette, Rev E. H. Downing—*Nay.*

Ohio.—Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson.—*Aye.*

Iowa.—Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. R. D. Brooke—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Massachusetts.—Mr. Samuel L. Crocker, Mr. James S. Amory—*Nay.* Wm. Appleton.—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Mr. Wm. W. Boardman, Mr. Charles A. Lewis—*Nay.* Mr. Wm. F. Lee.—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. George M. Stroud—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Mr. S. M. Curtis—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. Edward Lee Winslow, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. W. W. Battle, Mr. Thomas H. Wright—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Robert F. W. Allston, Mr. Charles Sinkler, Mr. J. P. Smith—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin, Mr. P. M. Nightingale—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Mr. Wm. C. Smedes, Mr. James S. Johnston—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Mr. W. M. Goodrich, Mr. George S. Guion, Mr. John L. Lobdell, Mr. J. Chambers—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. J. P. Shackelford, Mr. Wm. H. Stephens—*Nay.* Mr. F. B. Fogg.—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, E. E. Fillmore, M. Grant Mitchell—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Mr. John Rogers, Mr. R. P. Lane—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. P. E. Demill, Mr. Henry A. Hayden—*Nay.*

Iowa.—Mr. Geo. Greene—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner,—*Aye.* Mr. Geo. E. B. Jackson —*Nay.*

So the proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution was lost. (See pp. 36–40.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY'S SESSION—TUESDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 7th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. A. Hicks, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Vermont, assisted by the Rev. Chas. W. Andrews, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Virginia.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following named Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

CLERICAL, *Texas*, The Rev. Edwd. Fontaine; LAY, *Massachusetts*, Mr. Edwd. A. Newton; *Western New York*, Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks asked leave of temporary absence for Mr. Luther Bradish, a Deputy from the Diocese of New York, which was granted.

The Rev. Mr. Bours made request for leave of absence during the remainder of the Session, on behalf of Mr. G. R. Fairbanks, a Deputy from Florida; the Rev. Mr. Tomes made a like request for Mr. William H. Stephens, a Deputy from Tennessee; also, Mr. Washington Hunt, a Deputy of Western New York, asked leave of absence; which applications were severally granted.

On motion of Mr. J. N. Conyngham, *Ordered*, that all further applications for leave of absence be referred to the Committee on Elections.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, of the Committee on Canons, presented the following report:

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred a proposed Canon "Of Episcopal Residence," have had the same under Consideration, and respectfully, report the following Resolution for adoption by this House.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted, viz: Canon of Episcopal Residence. It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within his Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Randall, the Canon was passed unanimously. (See pp. 33–60.)

The Rev. Dr. Cuming, on behalf of the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report that they have examined the Journal of the last General Convention, and find the following items.

1. On page 74, the appointment of a Committee on a standard edition of the Bible, "to report in full and in print," to this Convention.

2. On pages 92 and 93, the subject of the Kohne Legacy.

3. On page 96, and referred to again on pages 100 and 135, the subject of the publication of the Prayer Book in the Spanish Language.

4. On page 103, a resolution respecting the alteration of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Society.

5. On page 121, an amendment to Article V. of the Constitution of this Church, proposed.

6. On page 122, the report of a Joint Committee, with respect to a letter from Bishop Payne, and the Jurisdiction of Bishop Boone.

7. On page 123, the appointment of a Committee upon the Judiciary System of the Church.

8. On page 124 a proposed amendment of Article II. of the Constitution.

9. On pages 132 and 144, a Canon proposed respecting a Minister declaring his renunciation of the Ministry, and the abandonment of the communion of the Church.

10. On page 140, a proposed Canon, respecting a Bishop without Jurisdiction.

11. On page 141, a proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution.

With respect to the above items, the Committee would further report that, the one relating to the Kohne Legacy, and the one relating to the Canon respecting a minister renouncing his ministry, &c., and the two relating to changes in the Constitution of this Church, have been presented for action by the present Convention.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Committee.

F. H. CUMMING, *Chairman.*

Mr. Phelan offered the following resolution, which, on his own motion, was laid on the table, to be called up at a future day:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this Convention will adjourn *sine die*, on Wednesday, October 15th, at 12o'clock, in the day.

Mr. Henry S. Jennings offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the vote by which the Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution was rejected by a failure of concurrence of the two orders, be re-considered, (See p. 38.)

Mr. Phelan moved to lay this resolution on the table. A point of Order was raised by the Secretary, whether, when a vote has been taken by Dioceses, and Orders, it be competent in any *individual* who has voted with the majority to make a motion for re-consideration. The Chair ruled that, it was not in order. Mr. Jennings then having obtained the concurrence of one of his colleagues in the Lay Deputation from the Diocese of Illinois, called, in the name of that Deputation for a re-consideration.

The point of Order was then raised, whether, when a vote has been taken as aforesaid, it be according to rule for any

persons less than a Diocesan Deputation, Clerical and Lay, to move a re-consideration.

The Chair ruled that, either a Clerical or Lay Deputation that voted in the majority may call for a re-consideration.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

That the House of Bishops concur with the resolution passed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that a joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and have appointed as the Committee on the part of this House, Bishop H. Potter, Bishop Burgess and Bishop Williams. (See pp. 32–150.)

It appearing to the Chair that the Lay Deputation from the Diocese of Illinois, which yesterday voted with the majority, whereby the proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution was negatived, did not concur in calling for a vote upon the question of re-consideration, he ruled the motion offered by Mr. Jennings to be out of order.

A motion to re-consider the vote on the proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution was then made by the Lay Deputation from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Deputation from the Diocese of New York demanded that the vote on the question of re-consideration be taken by Dioceses and Orders; which resulted as follows:

Clergy, 31 Dioceses represented, AYES, 16; NAYS, 11. DIVIDED, 4.
Laity, 27 " " AYES, 13; NAYS, 14.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., Rev. Thos. G. Salter, Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. Geo. B. Manser, D.D., Rev. Josiah Swett, Rev. C. R. Batchelder—*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edw. Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D., Rev. Edw. Ingersoll, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. And. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough—*Aye.* Rev. W. Pinckney, D.D.——*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire—*Aye.* Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D.—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. W. Bours, Rev. W. T. Saunders.—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. Geo. F. Cushman—*Aye.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Chas. Tomes, Rev. John A. Harrison, Rev. John L. Gay—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. Geo. H. McKnight, Rev. Wm. G. Spencer—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Saml. Chase, D.D., Rev. Charles P. Clarke—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robt. G. Terry, Rev. Wm. Norman Irish—*Aye.*

Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. Geo. Willard, Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell—*Aye.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Josiah Phelps—*Aye.*

California.—Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide, Mr. Justus D. Watson.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Mr. Sylvester Deming, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield—*Aye.* Mr. Isaac F. Redfield—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. Saml. L. Crocker, Mr. James S. Amory.—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Alexander Duncan—*Aye.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont, Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. Benj. Pringle—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.* Mr. J. H. Alexander—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. Thomas Hayward—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Mr. J. M. Conley, Mr. Robt. S. Bunker—*Aye.* Mr. John D. Phelan—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Mr. John Rogers, Mr. Henry S. Jennings—*Aye.* Mr. P. Lane—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Mr. John A. Talbot, M. D.—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edw. Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Frederic Gardiner—*Nay.* Rev. Edward Jessup—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. H. Croswell, D.D., Rev. Rob. A. Hallam, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D.—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. Geo. Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D.D. Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. C. P. Gadsden—*Nay.*
Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. James A. Fox, Rev. Benjamin Halsted—*Nay.*
Louisiana.—Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader—*Nay.*
Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. Chas. Gillette—*Nay.*
Kentucky.—Rev. Edward F. Berkley, Rev. John N. Norton—*Nay.* Rev. James Craik, D.D—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Rev. Edw. W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. R. D. Brooke—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner, Mr. Geo. E. B. Jackson—*Nay.*
Connecticut.—Mr. Wm. W. Boardman, Mr. Charles A. Lewis—*Nay.* Mr. Wm. F. Lee—*Aye.*
Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Geo. M. Stroud—*Nay.*
Delaware.—Mr. Alex. J. Dupont—*Nay.*
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams—*Nay.*
North Carolina.—Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M. D., Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. W. H. Battle—*Nay.* Mr. Edw. L. Winslow—*Aye.*
South Carolina.—Mr. Robt. F. W. Allston, Mr. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. Charles Sinkler—*Nay.*
Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin, Mr. P. M. Nightingale—*Nay.*
Mississippi.—Mr. Wm. C. Smedes—*Nay.*
Louisiana.—Mr. W. M. Goodrich, Mr. John L. Lobdell—*Nay.* Mr. Jas. Chambers—*Aye.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. E. E. Fillmore, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell—*Nay.*
Michigan.—Mr. Henry A. Hayden, Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. P. E. Demill—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Mr. Geo. Greene—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Massachusetts.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. Wm. Horton—*Aye.* Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D.—*Nay.*
Rhode Island.—Rev. N. B. Crocker, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Geo. W. Hathaway—*Nay.*
Pennsylvania.—Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D.—*Nay.*
Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Richard Johnson—*Aye.* Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Nay.*

So by non-concurrence of the two Orders, the motion to re-consider was lost.

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire—*Aye.* Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D.—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. W. Bours, Rev. W. T. Saunders.—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. Geo. F. Cushman—*Aye.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Chas. Tomes, Rev. John A. Harrison, Rev. John L. Gay—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. Geo. H. McKnight, Rev. Wm. G. Spencer—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Saml. Chase, D.D., Rev. Charles P. Clarke—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robt. G. Terry, Rev. Wm. Norman Irish—*Aye.*

Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. Geo. Willard, Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell—*Aye.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Josiah Phelps—*Aye.*

California.—Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide, Mr. Justus D. Watson.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Mr. Sylvester Deming, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield—*Aye.* Mr. Isaac F. Redfield—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. Saml. L. Crocker, Mr. James S. Amory.—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Alexander Duncan—*Aye.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont, Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. Benj. Pringle—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.* Mr. J. H. Alexander—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. Thomas Hayward—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Mr. J. M. Conley, Mr. Robt. S. Bunker—*Aye.* Mr. John D. Phelan—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Mr. John Rogers, Mr. Henry S. Jennings—*Aye.* Mr. P. Lane—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Mr. John A. Talbot, M. D.—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edw. Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Frederic Gardiner—*Nay.* Rev. Edward Jessup—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. H. Croswell, D.D., Rev. Rob. A. Hallam, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D.—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. Geo. Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D.D. Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. C. P. Gadsden—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. James A. Fox, Rev. Benjamin Halsted—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader—*Nay.*

Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. Chas. Gillette—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Rev. Edward F. Berkley, Rev. John N. Norton—*Nay.* Rev. James Craik, D.D—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson—*Nay.*

Iowa.—Rev. Edw. W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. R. D. Brooke—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner, Mr. Geo. E. B. Jackson—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Mr. Wm. W. Boardman, Mr. Charles A. Lewis—*Nay.* Mr. Wm. F. Lee—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Geo. M. Stroud—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Mr. Alex. J. Dupont—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M. D., Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. W. H. Battle—*Nay.* Mr. Edw. L. Winslow—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Robt. F. W. Allston, Mr. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. Charles Sinkler—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin, Mr. P. M. Nightingale—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Mr. Wm. C. Smedes—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Mr. W. M. Goodrich, Mr. John L. Lobdell—*Nay.* Mr. Jas. Chambers—*Aye.*

Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*

Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. E. E. Fillmore, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Mr. Henry A. Hayden, Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. P. E. Demill—*Nay.*

Iowa.—Mr. Geo. Greene—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Massachusetts.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. Wm. Horton—*Aye.* Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D.—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. N. B. Crocker, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Geo. W. Hathaway—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D.—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Richard Johnson—*Aye.* Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Nay.*

So by non-concurrence of the two Orders, the motion to re-consider was lost.

Mr. Conyngham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of be appointed to revise the rules of order, by adding one relative to motions to re-consider.

The question being put upon this resolution, it was adopted. (See p. 46.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that the blank be filled with the number "seven."

The Chair appointed the following: Mr. J. N. Conyngham, Rev. Drs. Mead, Hanckel and Higbee, Rev. Mr. McMurdy, and Messrs. Chambers and Allston.

The Rev. Mr. Berkley proposed the following Rule of Order, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee of seven just appointed:

When a vote is taken by Dioceses and Orders, a re-consideration of said vote shall be entertained only when it is moved by a major number of each Order in such presents who voted in the majority.

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel presented the following Rule of Order, which, on his motion, was referred to the same Committee, viz:

A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate, during the same Session, except upon a motion to re-consider which may be moved by one delegation, Lay or Clerical, and seconded by another, who voted in the majority.

The Rev. Mr. Swett offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Thursday next, 2 o'clock, P. M., be appointed for the time when this House, in acceptance of the courteous invitation of the President and Managers of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind, will visit that Institution, and that the Secretary be requested to give information accordingly.

Mr. R. H. Gardiner moved to amend, by substituting four for two o'clock. The amendment was accepted by the mover of the resolution, and as amended, was passed by the House.

The House then proceeded to the Order of the Day, it being the Report of the Majority of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary System of the Church. (See pp. 30–49.)

On motion of Mr. Evans, the House proceeded to consider "Canon G., Trial of Bishops," the same being part of the Report before the House.

Mr. Hoffman moved that the first Section of the proposed Canon for the Trial of Bishops be adopted.

Pending the discussion of this motion, the Rev. Dr. Mead asked to be excused from serving on the Committee of Seven for revising the Rules of Order (see page 44). His request was granted, and the Chair appointed Mr. Smedes in his stead.

Mr. Chambers gave notice that he should offer the following Amendment to the proposed Canon G.:

"Of the Trial of Bishops, to wit: In all cases of Trials by any Ecclesiastical tribunal now authorized, or hereafter to be authorized by the Constitution, or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which the Trial is to be had, so far as they relate to the Rules of testimony shall be adopted and taken as the Rules by which the said tribunal shall be governed."

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY'S SESSION—WEDNESDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 8th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Maryland, assisted by the Rev. Edw. Y. Higbee, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New York.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following named Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

CLERICAL, *New Hampshire*, Rev. Edw. Bourns, LL. D.; *Rhode Island*, Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. James H. Eames, a Supplemental Deputy in the place of the Rev. Hobart Williams, unable to attend. LAY, *Rhode Island*, Mr. William Binney, a Supplemental Deputy, in place of Dr. David King; *Connecticut*, Mr. E. Ferris Bishop.

A letter of invitation was received, proffering to the Members of this Convention the opportunity of visiting the Academy of Fine Arts. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fr. Vinton, *Ordered*, that the Secretary return the thanks of this House, and communicate to the President of the Academy that the Members of this Body will be happy to avail themselves of this courtesy.

Leave of absence, for a time, from the sittings of this Convention was requested on behalf of Dr. John A. Talbot, of Missouri, which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposition to consider and report on amendment to Canon LII., of 1832, entitled, "Of the Alms and Contributions of the Holy Communion," so as to require the Minister of the Parish, or such Church Officer as shall be appointed by him, to devote a fixed proportion of the Alms and Contributions at the Holy Communion on Easter Day, to the acting Bishop of the Diocese, to be applied by him to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit, (See pp. 31–134.) respectfully report: That in their opinion it is inexpedient to make such amendment, and they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same. By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

The same Committee, also presented the following Report:

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred a resolution to enquire into the expediency of amending Art. III. of the Constitution, beg leave to report, by recommending the adoption of the following resolution, *Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the Third Article, the following article. Art. III. Whenever General Conventions are held, the Bishops of this Church shall form a separate House, with the right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, and all acts must pass both Houses. (See pp. 31–53.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the above proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

Mr. John N. Conyngham, for the Special Committee of Seven on Rules of Order (see pp. 44, 47), presented the following Report:

The Special Committee appointed to revise the Rules of Order respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the annexed rule as the Twentieth Rule of Order of this House, to wit—In all questions decided, "viva voce" the motion to re-consider must be made and seconded by Deputies who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal divisions, by those who voted in the negative;—and in the case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to re-consider shall be made by any Deputy of either Order voting in the majority, to be seconded by a Deputy likewise voting in the majority; and in the case of a non-concurrence of Orders, a motion to re-consider shall come from a Deputy of that Order which gave the majority in the negative, and shall be seconded in like manner by a Deputy of the same Order, who voted in the negative; and all motions to re-consider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

JOHN N. CONYNGHAM,
Chairman of the Committee.

Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Report of the Special Committee on Rules of Order be referred back, with instructions to adopt as its basis, the principle, that in a vote by Orders, each vote is to be considered as represented by a Delegation of either Order, and not by an individual.

The hour for the "Order of the Day" having arrived, Mr. Hoffman moved that the Order of the Day be postponed until the motion for re-commitment be disposed of, which was agreed to.

Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton moved that the resolution of Dr. A. H. Vinton be referred to the Special Committee, and that he be added to the Committee.

It having been proposed that the resolution proposed be divided, the question was put on the motion for reference and decided in the affirmative. (See p. 56.)

On motion of Mr. E. F. Chambers, *Ordered*, that one be added to the Committee.

Whereupon the Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the "order of the day" be further postponed for the purpose of receiving a Report ready for presentation by the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See pp. 44, 52.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, on behalf of the Committee, presented the following Report:

The Committee on the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society, to whom was referred the resolution sent up to the General Convention by the Convention of the Diocese of New York, touching the propriety of amending the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, so as to enlarge the number of members constituting the same, beg leave to report: (See pp. 30, 60.)

That, having had the subject under deliberation, they are impressed with the importance of the request, and feel that it is important so to enlarge the number of the Board of Missions, that it shall more adequately represent all portions of the Church, and correspond to its increasing numbers.

They, therefore, unanimously recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Article III. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be amended, by striking out the words, "*of thirty members*," and inserting therein the words, "of four times the number of the Dioceses in union with the General Convention, of which number there shall be two members, one Clerical and one Lay from each organized Diocese."

By order of the Committee.

WILLIAM BACON STEVENS, *Chairman.*

On motion of Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, the resolution at the close of the Report was unanimously adopted. (See pp. 47, 60.)

Mr. G. M. Stroud asked for a further postponement of the "Order of the Day," to afford opportunity for the presentation of a Memorial from the Rector and Vestrymen of the Church of the Advent, Boston, and a pamphlet pertaining, which request was granted. The Memorial (See Appendix H.) was thereupon read and referred, on motion of Mr. D. H. Conrad, to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 54.)

A Memorial was presented, also, by the same, from several Laymen of the City of Burlington, N. J., which, (See Appendix H.) with accompanying documents, was, on motion of Rev. Dr. Cuming, referred in like manner to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 101.)

On motion of Mr. E. F. Chambers,

Resolved, That this House will proceed to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A.M., to ballot for a Committee on the part of this House to act with a Committee of the House of Bishops in nominating the Board of Missions. (See p. 51.)

Mr. Burgess offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee upon the Prayer Book to consider if it be expedient for the General Convention to take action to cause an uniformity in the editions of the Prayer Book, so that in all future editions the same matter shall be printed upon the same page.

Which resolution was adopted. (See p. 56.)

Mr. Simeon Ide offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

Whereas, By a standing Order, or Rubric of the Convention of 1832, it is provided, as will be found in every authorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer that "it shall be the duty of every Minister, with such assistance as he can obtain from persons skilled in music, to *give order* concerning the *Tunes* to be sung at any time in his church, and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and indecency and irreverence, in the performance, by which vain and ungodly persons profane the services of the sanctuary:"

And Whereas, It has been found by more than twenty-four years' experience under said Order, that it has, in many instances, failed to produce the full effect intended by its adoption, viz: an efficient and salutary supervision and direction by the Minister, of the use of such suitable and appropriate Tunes, as are convenient to be sung by the greater portion of the devout worshippers in his Congregation: Therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be requested to consider the expediency—and if by them deemed expedient, to recommend for use in the several Dioceses an edition of the authorized Psalms and

Hymns interspersed with suitable and appropriate Tunes, and musical notes, to be used by the Choirs and Congregations of the several Parishes as a means of promoting greater uniformity and harmony in the performance of this interesting and essential part of Divine Service.

And be it further Resolved, That if the House of Bishops see fit to recommend the publication of the Psalms and Hymns, with Tunes and musical notes, in a volume separate from the Book of Common Prayer, they are also hereby requested to take such measures for the selection of Tunes, to be inserted in said volume, and the preparation thereof for the press, as in their wisdom, they may think proper. (See p. 177.)

The House then proceeded to the "Order of the Day."

After debate, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Trapier, further discussion of the subject was deferred until to-morrow (See pp. 44, 52.)

The Rev. Dr. Talbot offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It has been usual for the different railroads of this country to grant some reduction of fare to the Members of Conventions similar to this, therefore, *Resolved*, That the Lay Deputies from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, be respectfully requested to act as a Committee of the House to secure if possible from the lines of travel, leading from this City, free tickets for such members as paid the said lines full fare on their way to this Convention, and half-price tickets for such as came by other routes, and to ascertain what evidence of membership to this Convention will be required to secure such reductions.

On motion of Rev. H. C. Lay, this preamble and resolution were laid upon the table.

On motion, the House adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY'S SESSION—THURSDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 9th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. P. A. Proal, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Western New York, assisted by the Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Georgia.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Chair presented an invitation from the President of the National Agricultural Society, inviting the members of this House to visit the Exhibition now being held in this City.

The Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton moved that the thanks of

P. Baldwin of Michigan, who were thereupon unanimously elected *viva voce*. (See p. 55.)

The Rev. Dr. Craik offered the following proposed addition to Article V., of the Constitution, which was on his motion referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 101.)

Any portion of any organized Diocese may be set apart by the General Convention as a separate Missionary Territory, and placed under the jurisdiction of a Missionary Bishop, provided that the assent of the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Convention thereof, shall be given to such partition of the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that the subject which was on Monday last made the Order of the Day, for 11 o'clock this day, to wit: The request of the Committee on Canons to be discharged from the further consideration of a proposed Canon, entitled "Of a Minister renouncing, &c.," be postponed until the Report of the Committee on the Judiciary System of the Church be disposed of. (See pp. 35, 61.)

The hour for the consideration of that topic having arrived, the House proceeded to the consideration of proposed "Canon G., of Trial of Bishops." (See pp. 49, 57.)

Mr. Hoffman moved the adoption of the first Section of the proposed Canon.

Mr. P. Williams moved to amend, by striking out the words "made by a Board of Inquiry."

The question being put on this amendment, it was lost.

The Rev. Dr. R. H. Mason moved that the Section be amended, by striking out the words "than heresy or," and inserting therefor the words "the teaching of."

On the vote upon this amendment, a division was called for, which resulted as follows:

AYES 59, NAYS 60. So the proposed amendment was lost.

The question then came on the adoption of the first Section, which was decided in the affirmative.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks made a motion to adjourn, but, on request, postponed it, to give place for the introduction of the following:

The Rev. Dr. Stubbs offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to report what alterations should be made in Canon XV. of 1832, and the Canons of 1853, in reference to Candidates for Orders, and the Testimonials of persons who are to be ordained Deacons and Priests, so as to make them consistent with each other, and by which the following questions may be satisfactorily answered.

1. Is the provision of 1853, for the ordination of Deacons complete in itself, without reference to that of 1832?

2. Can a Candidate claim ordination under the provision of 1853, though the Bishop requires that of 1832?

3. What is the judgment of the Standing Committee as to the time to be required for candidateship when Section 7 of Canon V. of 1853 is not resorted to?

4. What papers are required for admission to candidateship, and whether there are two forms?

5. What papers are required for admission to the Diaconate? and whether there are two forms?

The resolution of reference was adopted. (See p. 90.)

Mr. S. F. Dupont, a Deputy from the Diocese of Delaware, appeared and took his seat.

On motion, the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY'S SESSION—FRIDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 10th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. F. H. Cuming, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Michigan, assisted by the Rev. Clarkson Dunn, a Deputy from the Diocese of New Jersey.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, made the following Report:

The Committee on Elections report, that the Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, of Western New York, has been duly appointed a substitute for the Rev. Edward Ingersoll, Clerical Deputy of the same Diocese; also, the Rev. Daniel C. Weston, a substitute for the Rev. Geo. W. Durell, Clerical Deputy of the Diocese of Maine; also, Mr. Morgan Nelson for Mr. Wm. C. Rives, Lay Deputy of the Diocese of Virginia.

The Committee recommend that leave of absence be granted to the following gentlemen, viz: Mr. Simeon Ide, of New Hampshire, and Mr. John Rogers, of Illinois.

By order of the Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Weston, of Maine, appeared and took his seat, also the Rev. Mr. Ashley, of Western New York.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, made the following Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Art. III. of the Constitution, (See p. 31.) to consider and report whether any, and if any,

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The Committee recommend that leave of absence be granted to the following gentlemen, viz: Mr. Simeon Ide, of New Hampshire, and Mr. John Rogers, of Illinois.

By order of the Committee.

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The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, made the following Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Art. III. of the Constitution, (See p. 31.) to consider and report whether any, and if any,

what amendment may be necessary to the same, respectfully propose an Article to be substituted for the third Article of the Constitution as it now stands, and offer the following resolutions for adoption by this house: *Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed to alter the third Article of the Constitution, as follows:

Art. III. Whenever General Conventions are held, the Bishops of this Church shall form a separate House, with the right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, and all acts must pass both Houses.

By order of the Committee.

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

Oct. 10th, 1856.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, the resolution contained in this Report was adopted. (See pp. 46, 74.)

The following Report was also presented by the same; and on motion of the Rev. Mr. Trapier, *Ordered*, that the proposed Canon therein contained, be printed for the use of the House. (See pp. 48, 63.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a Memorial from the Church of the Advent, Boston, &c., and who were requested to take into consideration Canon IV. of 1850, and report their opinion, whether it is sufficiently explicit with reference to the duty of a Bishop to visit every congregation in his Diocese, and whether any, and if any, what limitations exist as to the right of every parish to the benefit of Episcopal visitation at stated periods; respectfully report:

That, in their opinion, the said Canon is sufficiently explicit as to the rights and duties of the Bishops and Parishes as to Visitations, and that it is the duty of every Bishop to visit every congregation in his Diocese. It seems, however, to them, that circumstances may be imagined which would justify or excuse a Bishop in delaying the performance of that duty beyond the three years which ancient usage in the Church of England, and the Canon of our own Church, have settled as the proper interval between his visitations. They also think that the Canon is defective in not providing some mode of adjusting differences of opinion between the Bishops and parishes, relating to the causes which may properly delay visitations beyond the canonical three years. The Committee present herewith a Canon designed to remedy the defects which they have mentioned.

Canon of Episcopal Visitations.

1st. Every Bishop of this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese for the purpose of examining the state of the Church, inspecting the behaviour of his clergy, ministering the word, and, if he think fit, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to the people committed to his charge, and administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation; and such visitation shall be made at least once in every three years, by every Bishop to every Church within his Diocese.

2d. In order to enable the Bishop to make his aforesaid visitations, it shall be the duty of the clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be

devised, to officiate for him in any parochial duties which may belong to him, and of the vestry of every church or congregation to make provision for his necessary expenses.

3d. In case any Bishop shall neglect to visit any parish or church within his Diocese for the space of three years, it shall be lawful for the minister and vestry of such church or parish to apply to the senior Bishop of the House of Bishops for a Council of Inquiry. The Senior Bishop shall thereupon proceed to draw, by lot, the names of eleven members of the House of Bishops, and place them on a list, one copy of which he shall transmit to the minister and vestry applying for the council, and another to the Bishop of the Diocese, each of whom shall be bound, within twenty days, to strike two names from such list, and return the same to the Senior Bishop; and the remaining seven Bishops shall constitute the council. And if either party shall neglect to return such list within twenty days, with two names stricken off, or if the same names shall be stricken off by each of the parties, it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop to strike out so many of the names last drawn as will reduce the list to seven. *Provided*, That, if the Senior Bishop shall be complained of, the duties allotted to him by this section shall be performed by the next Bishop in seniority.

4th. The Bishop, who has made out the list, shall cause the Council of Bishops to be convened in the Diocese in which the controversy exists, within sixty days after the nomination has been completed, and shall give notice of the time and place appointed for that purpose to the persons interested. The Bishops named, or any five or more of them who may convene, shall constitute the council, and may adjourn from time to time, until the questions before them are decided. They shall hear all the allegations and proofs of both parties; and if they should be of opinion that there is a sufficient reason for the Bishop's refusal or neglect to visit such parish or church, they shall so decide, and shall declare in writing what that reason is. If they shall be of opinion that there is no such reason, they shall also declare their decision in writing, and the Bishop complained of shall then declare in writing whether he will visit the parish or church within six months from the time of such decision. If such Bishop decline to visit the parish or church, or neglect to make his election as aforesaid, for three days, the council shall have power to appoint some other Bishop to visit the parish or church for the purpose of administering the rite of confirmation, and may authorize him to do so by a commission under their hands.

5th. It shall be the duty of every Bishop to keep a register of his proceedings at any visitation of his Diocese.

6th. Canon IV., of 1850, is hereby repealed.

By order of the Committee.

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, Oct. 10th, 1856. (See pp. 52, 104.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has appointed the following Members of this House to act with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as a Joint Committee to nominate a Board of Missions for three years next ensuing: Bishop Doane, Bishop Williams, Bishop Polk.

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Mason, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following Report:

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred (See p. 48 the expediency of causing such uniformity in all future editions of the Prayer Book, that the same matter shall be printed upon the same page, respectfully report that, in their judgment it is not expedient for this Convention to take order upon the subject, and they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

For the Committee,

Oct. 10th, 1856. H. M. MASON, *Chairman.*

On motion of Dr. Mason, the Committee were accordingly discharged.

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel presented a Memorial (See Appendix H.) from the Convention of the Diocese of South Carolina, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary. (See p. 77.)

Mr. J. N. Conyngham, of the Special Committee on Rules of Order, made the following Report:

The Special Committee appointed to revise the Rules of Order, respectfully report, that they recommend the adoption of the annexed Rule, as the XX.th Rule of Order of this House:

In all questions decided numerically, the motion to re-consider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another, who voted in the majority; or in case of equal division, by those who voted in the negative; and in the case of a vote by orders, where there is a concurrence of both orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by the majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either order voting in the majority; and in the case of a non-concurrence of orders, the motion to re-consider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that order which gave the majority in the negative, and in either case, a motion to re-consider, shall be seconded by a majority of any Delegation of either order, without regard to its previous vote. And all motions to re-consider, shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day. JOHN N. CONYNGHAM, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Mason, of Maryland, offered the following *Resolution*, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 103.)

Resolved, That to the second Canon of 1844, be added the following words: "Section 10th. The third Section of Canon III., of 1841, is hereby repealed."

The Rev. Mr. Trapier, offered the following proposed Amendment of Article IX. of the Constitution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 115.)

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to con-

sider and report on the propriety of striking out from Article IX., of the Constitution, the words, "proposed in one," and insert "agreed to by a majority in one."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bowman,

Resolved, That in the pending debate no member shall be allowed to occupy the attention of the House more than half an hour, at any one time, without permission of the House.

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans, *Ordered*, that Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 15, of the proposed "Canon G. Trial of Bishops" be striken out. (See p. 52.)

The Canon as thus amended, was, on motion of the same, referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks presented the draft of a Canon on the Trial of a Bishop,—which on his motion was referred, with "Canon G., of the Trial of a Bishop," reported by the "Committee of the Judicial system of the Church," to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 82.)

The Rev. Dr. Vinton proposed the following Amendment of "Canon G," which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Canons, to wit.:

"Any Bishop may demand an enquiry into any rumors affecting his moral character."

The Rev. Dr. Craik, moved the reference to the Committee on Canons, of a provision embodying the principle, that the Committee of Inquiry should be a large one, and be composed of as many laymen as possible.

Mr. Wm. C. Smedes proposed,

1st. That whenever charges against a Bishop are presented to the Diocesan Convention, there shall be elected by that Convention, a Board of twelve men, six Clergymen and six Laymen residing in the Diocese, who shall undertake the preliminary investigation, according to the rules of the common law.

2d. That the whole Bench of Bishops shall sit as a Court; the judgment of two thirds of those in session shall be necessary to find the accused guilty, but a majority may affix the punishment.

3d. The introduction of the provisions of Canon G., in relation to the trial of a Bishop for teaching doctrine contrary to the doctrine of the Church.

Mr. D. H. Conrad, offered for reference the Canon contained in the minority Report on the Judicial System, but—

Striking out the provisions that the proceedings of the Bishops, as a Court, should be in accordance with the common law, as administered in the Secular Courts of the United States, and insert a clause providing that "the proceedings shall be in accordance with the common law, as administered in the Secular Courts of the State, where the Court might be sitting."

Rev. Dr. F. Vinton, presented the following Amendment to Canon G.

1. That an accused Bishop shall have due information of any charges preferred against him, and may appear in person or by proxy before the Board of Inquiry, in order to state facts and to name witnesses, that in his judgment, shall confute the charges.

2. The Board of Inquiry shall have power to summon witnesses on both sides.

The Rev. Wm. N. Pendleton proposed the following:

"Any three Communicants of this Church, one of whom shall be a presbyter of good standing, may, either on the ground of public rumor, or a special information laid before them, originate a formal accusation against a Bishop of this Church; and when they have determined to do so, they shall, under their own signature, communicate the facts without indicating the nature of the accusation, to two Bishops whose Dioceses conjoin, or whose residences are nearest to the Diocese of the Bishop to be accused. When two Bishops have received this notice of the fact of an intended accusation, they shall each select by lot, from the members of the last Convention of his Diocese, two presbyters and two lay communicants, and the eight persons so chosen, or a majority of them, shall constitute the Board of Inquiry before whom the accusation is to be made. The Senior of the two Bishops shall designate an early day and a place convenient to the accusing party, for the Board to meet.

The Board having assembled, shall elect their own President, and shall then proceed to examine the charges and evidence laid before them on the part of the accused, after the manner of the grand juries of the country."

Mr. Murray Hoffman presented a further amendment.

That two presbyters, seniors in point of age, in the Diocese, and two lay communicants of the profession of the law shall constitute, together with a similar representation of presbyters and laymen in two adjoining Dioceses, the body for the Board of Inquiry.

Rev. Dr. Mason, of North Carolina, the following:

"The Board of Inquiry shall consist of four clergymen and four laymen, communicants, residing in the Diocese of the accused Bishop, to be chosen in the following manner: two clergymen and two laymen to be chosen by the accused, and one of each order by the Standing Committee of the Diocese."

Mr. Wm. C. Smedes presented the following:

That the Board of Inquiry shall consist entirely of laymen.

Mr. Josiah Collins, of North Carolina, presented the following:

"Provided, that in every trial such testimony only shall be admissible as is held to be competent in the civil tribunals of the State or Territory in which the Diocese of the accused may lie."

On motion, the House adjourned.

TENTH DAY'S SESSION—SATURDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 11th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of North Carolina, assisted by the Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Elections report that leave of absence has been asked for by the following gentlemen, and recommend that it be granted: The Rev. Thomas W. Humes, of Tennessee, for the ensuing week; the Rev. Dr. Crocker, of Rhode Island, Mr. John L. Lobdell, of Louisiana, the same; Mr. H. A. Hayden, of Michigan, the same; Mr. P. E. Demill, of Michigan, from and after Monday.

By order of the Committee.

Oct. 11th, 1856. M. MAHAN, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel, from the Committee on the State of the Church, made the following Report:

The Committee on the State of the Church, in obedience to Section 1, Canon XI., of 1853, would respectfully nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the following named gentlemen as Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, viz: Messrs. R. B. Minturn and Cyrus Curtis of New York, Horace White, of Syracuse, S. H. Huntingdon, of Hartford, Connecticut, and Herman Cope, of Philadelphia.

CHRISTIAN HANCKEL, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Claxton, the gentlemen nominated in this Report were appointed Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

The Rev. Mr. Gardiner offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the "Committee on a Standard Edition of the Bible," to consider the expediency of procuring the publication of one or more editions of the Bible in a paragraph form.

The resolution was adopted. (See p. 68.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the proposed amendment of Article III. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See p. 47.)

The Secretary read a letter of invitation from the Academy of Natural Sciences to the Members of this Convention to visit the Museum of that Society.

On motion of Mr. W. W. Boardman, the Secretary was instructed to return the thanks of this Body, and signify its acceptance of the invitation.

The Secretary called attention to the fact, that a Canon having passed the House of Deputies, and been transmitted to the House of Bishops, on the seventh instant, entitled, "Of Episcopal Residence," that House has not signified "to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation within three days after the proposed act has been reported to them for concurrence," and that, by the "failure thereof," it is declared in Article III. of the Constitution, "the act" of this Body "shall have the operation of law." (See pp. 39, 61.)

The Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to record the Canon of "Episcopal Residence," as Canon I. of 1856.

Which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. F. Vinton was laid on the table.

Mr. H. D. Evans moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a Joint Committee be raised to inquire into the expediency of instituting Councils of conciliation for the adjustment of questions which may arise between any Bishop and his Convention, any Parish under his jurisdiction, or any other Bishop.

The resolution was passed unanimously. (See pp. 39, 125.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, *Ordered*, that the Committee contemplated in the above Resolution, consist of five members on the part of this House.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Hawks, of New York, Rev. Dr. Mead, of Conn., Rev. Mr. Trapier, of South Carolina, and Messrs. Evans, of Maryland, and Conrad, of Virginia.

It having been intimated that an earlier adjournment this day than at the stated hour is desirable, to make the Church ready for Divine Service to-morrow, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Keene, *Ordered*, that this House adjourn at one o'clock this day.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clarkson,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the propriety of so altering Section 4, of Canon X., of 1853, as to give a Missionary Bishop the privilege of choosing whether he will be the Diocesan of any Diocese that may be organized out of, or within the limits of his original jurisdiction. (See p. 131.)

The Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the next meeting of the General Convention of this Church, be held in the city of Louisville, Kentucky.

The Rev. Mr. Gadsden, proposed to amend, by striking out the words "Louisville, Ky.," and inserting Richmond, Virginia.

The amendment was adopted, and the resolution as amended passed by this House. (See p. 68.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead called up the Report of the Committee on Canons, made on the fifth day of the Session, wherein they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of a proposed Canon, referred by the General Convention of 1853 to this Convention, and entitled, "Of a Minister declaring his renunciation of the Ministry," &c., and moved that they be discharged. (See pp. 55, 62.)

A message was received from the House of Bishops as follows:

October 11th, 1856.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Canon proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on the subject of the Residence of Bishops, within their Dioceses, having, through the pressure of other business upon this House, and a consequent inadvertence, become, while still in the hands of a Special Committee of this House, part of the law of the Church, a Committee of Conference be appointed to confer with any Committee which may be appointed on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a view to some arrangement which may still bring the subject within the cognizance of this House. Committee on the part of this House, Bishop Smith, Bishop Potter, Bishop Burgess.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,

Resolved, That a Committee of Five be appointed on the part of this House to confer with the above Committee of the House of Bishops.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Vinton, of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Stevens, of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Hanckel, of South Carolina, Mr. E. F. Chambers, of Maryland, and Mr. Murray Hoffman, of New York. (See pp, 60, 69.)

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, moved to amend the Resolution offered by Dr. Mead, so as to provide, not only for the discharge of the Committee on Canons from the further consideration of the proposed Canon "Of a Minister renouncing," &c., but also for its reference to a Special Committee of seven.

He then asked to have the question divided so as to allow action in the first place upon the question, will the House discharge the Committee on Canons from further consideration of this subject. On taking the vote thereupon it was decided in the affirmative. (See p. 69.

The Rev. Dr. Vinton, then moved for the appointment of a Special Committee of seven, but subsequently withdrew it, giving notice of his intention on Monday morning to move for some measure whereby some of the features of the proposed Canon may be made the subject of consideration.

On motion, the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY'S SESSION—MONDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 13th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Charles Tomes, a Deputy from the Diocese of Tennessee, assisted by the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, a Deputy from the Diocese of Delaware.

The Minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

The Committee on Elections reports that Mr. William Cornwall has been duly appointed Lay Deputy of the Diocese of Kentucky, in place of Mr. William F. Bullock, unable to attend. Also, that the following gentlemen have asked leave of absence: Mr. Sylvester Deming, of the Diocese of Vermont, from and after Tuesday; the Rev. Dr. Drane, of North Carolina, the same; Mr. James S. Amory, of Massachusetts, and Dr. Thomas H. Wright, of North Carolina, from and after this day; and Mr. Murray Hoffman, of New York, until one o'clock to-day. The Committee recommend that the above applications be granted.

By order of the Committee,

M. MAHAN

On motion, the above recommendation was adopted, and leave of absence given.

Mr. George S. Wardwell, a Deputy of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and Mr. James Reily, a Deputy from the Diocese of Texas, appeared and took their seats.

The Secretary announced and read the report of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, as follows:

To the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention, now in Session in the City of Philadelphia:

The undersigned, appointed by the last General Convention, Trustees under Canon XI. of 1853, entitled, "Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund," in pursuance of the sixth Section of the said Canon, present the following report:

That they have received no "contributions of money or real estate" from individuals, or from "either of the Missionary Committees of the Board of Missions;" they have, therefore, no account of their receipts and payments, during the last three years, to present,

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. Minturn,
Cyrus Curtis,
Horace White,
S. H. Huntingdon,
Herman Cope.

New York, October 4th, 1856.

The Rev. Mr. Salter offered the following resolution, which, on motion of Rev. Dr. Cole, was laid on the table:

Whereas, A resolution has passed the House that speakers (without special leave) be confined to half an hour; therefore,

Resolved, That in every case when the half hour shall have expired, it be considered the duty of the President to certify the fact.

The Rev. Dr. Wayland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That on and after Wednesday next, this House will hold evening Sessions.

The Rev. Mr. Littlejohn moved to amend, by substituting the word Friday for Wednesday.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Cuming, the whole matter was laid on the table.

The Canon reported by the Committee on Canons, (see p. 54.) entitled, "Of Episcopal Visitations," was then called up by the Rev. Dr. Croswell, who moved the adoption of the first Section.

The Rev. Dr. Wilson moved to amend the first Section, by substituting the word each, for the word "every," in the eighth line, and adding to the Section the following words: "unless prevented by inability to perform his Episcopal duties."

Mr. G. M. Stroud offered the following amendment:

That there be added to the first Section, after the amendment pro-

posed by the Rev. Dr. Wilson, the words, "*Provided*, In the case of every Church which has not been visited by the Bishop of the Diocese, within three years from the adoption of this Canon, it shall be his duty, on proper request made to him, to make such visitation within one year from the time of such adoption."

Mr. H. D. Evans moved that the 2d, 3d and 4th Sections of the proposed Canon be stricken out.

Mr. Burgess asked for a division of the question, so that the vote be taken on striking out the 3d and 4th Sections; and on the question being put thereupon, those Sections were stricken out.

The motion was then made to strike out, also, the 2d Section, which was lost.

The Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason offered the following amendment to the proposed Canon:

Every Bishop of this Church shall visit, at least once in every three years, every Church within his Diocese, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, of inspecting the behavior of his Clergy, of ministering the rite of Confirmation, and if he think fit, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans, *Ordered*, That the proposed Canon "Of Episcopal Visitation," together with all amendments which have been, or may be now offered, be recommitted and referred to the Committee on Canons; whereupon several amendments were proposed and given to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 68.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the amendment of Article II. of the Constitution proposed and adopted at the last General Convention, and sent down to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally agreed to and ratified by this Convention. (See p. 67.)

Pending the discussion upon this question, a Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Triennial Report of the Missionary Bishop of the North-West be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Document spoken of therein, came with this Message. (See Appendix E.)

When the amendment of the Constitution was about to be passed upon by the House, a requisition for a vote by Dioceses and Orders was made by the Deputation of New Jersey and others. On the call of the Roll, it was found that there were, by

Clergy.—Dioceses represented 31. AYES, 26. NAYS, 3, DIVIDED, 2.

Laity.—Dioceses represented, 25. AYES, 17. NAYS, 5, DIVIDED, 3.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. Josiah Swett, Rev. C. R. Batchelder—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., Rev. William Horton—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. George W. Hathaway, Rev. J. H. Eames—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. H. Croswell, D.D., Rev. William Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn—*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. William Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Andrew B. Patterson, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Clarkson Dunn—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. William B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. M. A. DeWolfe Howe, D.D.—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Genrge Sheets—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Rev. William E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Rev. William Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. William Sparrow, D.D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Richard Johnson, Rev. William C. Williams—*Aye.*

Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. W. Bours, Rev. W. T. Saunders—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay—*Aye.* Rev. F. R. Hanson—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. James A. Fox, Rev. Benjamin Halsted—*Aye.* Rev. Wm. W. Lord—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. William T. Leacock, D.D., Rev. Charles Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader—*Aye.*

Texas.—Rev. Charles Gillette, Rev. E. H. Downing, Rev. Edward Fontaine—*Aye.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Charles Tomes, Rev. John A. Harrison, Rev. John L. Gay—*Aye.*

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Edward F. Berkley, Rev. John N. Norton—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. William R. Nicholson—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. George H. McKnight, Rev. William G. Spencer—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D. Rev. Charles P. Clarke—*Aye.*

Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. George Willard—*Aye.* Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Joseph H. Nichols—*Aye.*

Iowa.—Rev. Edward W. Peet, Rev. R. D. Brooke—*Aye.*

California.— Rev. Christ. B. Wyatt—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire—Mr. Justus D. Watson—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL. D., Mr. Sylvester Deming, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Mr. Timothy P. Redfield—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. George S. Wardwell, Mr. William Binney—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Mr. William F. Lee, Mr. William W. Boardman—*Aye.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. Martin Lee—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. George M. Stroud—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. G. Chandler—*Aye.* Mr. Alexis I. Dupont—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams. Mr. M. Nelson—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. W. H. Battle—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Mr. J. M. Conley, Mr. Robert S. Bunker, Mr. John D. Phelan—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Mr. George S. Guion, Mr. James Chambers—*Aye.*

Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett—*Aye.*

Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill, Mr. William Cornwall—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. E. E. Fillmore, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Mr. R. P. Lane, Mr. Henry S. Jennings—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Fred. Gardiner, Rev. Edward Jessup, Rev. D. C. Weston—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D., Rev. W. B. Ashley—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis F. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robt. E. Terry—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Robert F. W. Allston, Mr. J. Pringle Smith—*Nay.* Mr. Charles Sinkler—*Aye.*

Mississippi.—Mr. William C. Smedes—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Mr. P. E. Demill—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Edward Bourns, LL. D., Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., Rev. Thomas G. Salter—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. C. P. Gadsden—*Aye.* Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Massachusetts.—Mr. William Appleton—*Aye.* Mr. Edward A. Newton—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Mr. William C. Pierrepont—*Aye.* Mr. Washington Hunt—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.* Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers—*Nay.*

So the proposed Amendment was agreed to, or ratified by this House. (See p. 64.)

On motion the house adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY'S SESSION—TUESDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 14th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. James Craik, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Kentucky, assisted by the Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Ohio.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, made the following Report:

The Committee on Elections report that leave of absence has been asked for by the following gentlemen: Mr. Alex. Duncan, of Rhode Island, Mr. George Whitfield, of Florida, Dr. John A. Talbot, of Missouri, Mr. William Cornwall, of Kentucky, from and after to-day; Mr. J. D. Phelan, of Alabama, and Mr. Martin Lee, of New York, the Rev. James A. Fox, of Mississippi, from and after three o'clock on Friday.

The Committee also report that Mr. Floyd Smith, of the Diocese of New York, has been duly appointed substitute for Mr. Nathaniel S. Benton, of the same Diocese. The Committee recommend that the above mentioned applications be granted.

By order, &c., M. MAHAN.

The following Message was received:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: *Resolved*, That this House concur in the ratification of the proposed amendment of Article II. of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Mason, from the Committee on a Standard Bible, made the following Report:

The Committee on the Standard Bible, to whom was referred (see p. 59,) to consider the expediency of procuring the publication of one or more editions of the Bible in a paragraph form, respectfully report, that in their opinion, it is inexpedient for this Convention to take order upon that subject, and beg to be discharged from further consideration thereof.

In behalf of the Committee,
HENRY M. MASON, *Chairman.*
M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE,
C. W. ANDREWS.

The Rev. Mr. Weston moved that the Report be laid on the table, for the present; which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Collins, the Committee were discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, on behalf of the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred, (see pp. 51, 69,) the resolutions of the General Convention of 1808, concerning persons engaged in a duel, and also concerning the marriage of persons who have been divorced, respectfully report, that they have considered the matters referred to them, and deem it inexpedient to legislate on the subject of the second resolution of 1808, and offer the following on the subject of the first resolution of the same date:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted:

"CANON

Respecting the use of Burial Services."

No Minister shall perform the burial service over the body of a person who shall die of a wound received in a duel, unless, previous to his death, he shall have exhibited satisfactory evidence of sincere repentance.

WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur, unanimously, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the selection of Richmond, Va., as the place of meeting of the next General Convention. (See p. 61.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead reported, for the Committee on Canons, as follows:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was re-committed the Canon on "Episcopal Visitations," with the amendments proposed in the House, respectfully beg leave to report the following Canon, as embodying such

of the amendments as they think proper to be made, and offer the following resolution for adoption by the House, viz:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be passed, to be entitled,

"OF EPISCOPAL VISITATIONS."

SECTION 1. Every Bishop shall visit each Church within his Diocese, at least once in every three years (unless prevented by physical inability), for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behavior of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, administering the word, and if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

SECTION 2. To enable the Bishop, who may be Rector of a Church, to make the aforesaid visitation, it shall be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of every Diocese to make provision for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop on such visitations.

SECTION 4. The Bishop shall keep a Register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

SECTION 5. Canon IV., of 1850, is hereby repealed.

The question being taken on the several Sections, seriatim, they were adopted; and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Randall, the resolution contained in the report was adopted, and the Canon passed on the part of this House. (See p. 105.)

The proposed Canon (see p. 68,) concerning the performance of the Burial Service of the Church, over the body of a person who shall have died in consequence of a wound, received in a duel, was presented to the consideration of the House, on a motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, that it be adopted.

The Chair put the question upon its adoption, and it was decided in the negative.

The Secretary announced that the Treasurer's accounts had been laid upon his table, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer.

The Chair appointed Mr. J. N. Conyngham, Mr. E. A. Newton, and Mr. D. B. Ryall.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, from the Committee of Conference (see p. 61,) on the Canon "Of Episcopal Residence," made a verbal report, that the Conference had not effected any definite result, and asked that the Committee be discharged. The Committee were accordingly discharged.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton presented the following draft of a Canon, (see p. 62,) and moved that it be referred to the Committee on Canons, which was adopted:—

"OF THE ABANDONMENT OF THE COMMUNION OF THE CHURCH BY ANY BISHOP, PRIEST OR DEACON."

SECTION 1. If any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, without availing himself of the provisions of Canons II. and V., of 1850, abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the doctrines, discipline and worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with this Church, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact, in case of a Bishop, to the presiding Bishop, and in case of a Presbyter or Deacon, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese, whose certificate shall be received, and shall be taken and deemed as an equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself.

Notice shall be given to said Minister by the Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts, as alleged in said certificate, are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record in the presence of two or more Clergymen, that he has been so deposed.

Provided nevertheless, that if the Bishop or Minister so renouncing, shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may at his discretion abstain from any further proceedings.

SECTION 2. Canons I. and II., of 1853, are hereby repealed. (See p. 102.)

Mr. H. D. Evans offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Canon E., "Of Confessions and Summary proceedings" in the printed Report of the Special Joint Committee on the Judicial System of the Church, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Hanson offered the following resolution: *Ordered*, That during the remainder of this Convention, the House will hold Evening Sessions.

On Motion of Mr. Churchill, the resolution was laid on the table until Friday morning.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton presented a proposed Canon, entitled,

"OF THE RESTORATION OF DEPOSED MINISTERS."

Any Minister of this Church who may have been deposed from the Ministry for causes not affecting his moral character, may at any time within ten years thereafter, be admitted as a Candidate for Orders on the terms and conditions of the Canon, entitled, "Concerning Candidates for Orders in this Church, who have been Ministers, Licentiates, or Students of Theology among other religious denominations."

Whereupon the Bishop of the Diocese, with the advice of the Bishops of the Dioceses contiguous to the same, may reverse the sentence of deposition, and restore the Candidate to the orders from which he was deposed, any thing in any Canon to the contrary notwithstanding.

And it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice of such restoration to the ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese of this Church.

And moved that it be laid upon the table; which motion prevailed.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House adopt the following proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions:

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than fifteen self-supporting Parishes, or less than fifteen Presbyters, who have been, for at least one year, canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than thirty self-supporting Parishes, or less than twenty Presbyters, who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned, Provided, That no city shall form more than one Diocese.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of the Diocese into two Dioceses, shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese. (See p. 72.)

Also the following:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the ratification of the proposed amendment of Article II. of the Constitution. (See p. 64.)

Mr. A. H. Churchill moved that this House concur in the proposed Amendment of Article V.

Mr. D. H. Conrad moved that this Amendment be made the order of the day for to-morrow, at 11 o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Mead offered as an amendment of the Resolution, that the House proceed to the immediate consideration of the subject. The House adopted the amendment, and resolved to proceed now to the question, on ratifying the amendment.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks asked and obtained leave to introduce a resolution, that a vacancy in the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, occasioned by the absence of Mr. Bradish, be filled by the appointment of another member from the Diocese of New York.

The Resolution was adopted, and the Chair appointed Mr. Floyd Smith.

The question on the proposed Amendment of Article V. of the Constitution was then taken by Dioceses and Orders.

Thirty-one Dioceses were represented by the Clergy. AYES, 25; NAYS, 4; DIVIDED, 2.

Twenty-five Dioceses were represented by the Laity. AYES, 17; NAYS, 6; DIVIDED, 2.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Edward Jessup, Rev. D. C. Weston.—*Aye.*

New Hampshire.—Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., Rev. Thomas G. Salter, Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Rev. Jno. A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. George B. Manser, D.D. —*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. George W. Hathaway, Rev. J. H. Eames.—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. H. Croswell, D.D., Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. Robt A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn.—*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D., Rev. W. B. Ashley.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. And. B. Patterson, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Rev. William R. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Rev. Wm. Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough.—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. Edward K. Ford, D.D., Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Richard Johnson, Rev. William C. Williams.—*Aye.*

Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. W. Bours.—*Aye.* Rev. W. S. Saunders.—*Nay.*
Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. Geo. F. Cushman.—*Aye.*
Mississippi.—Rev. James A. Fox, Rev. Benjamin Halsted.—*Aye.*
Louisiana.—Rev. Wm. T. Leacock, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader.—*Aye.* Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D.—*Nay.*
Tennessee.—Rev. Chas. Tomes, Rev. John A. Harrison, Rev. John L. Gay.—*Aye.*
Kentucky.—Rev. Edw. F. Berkley.—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson.—*Aye.* Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D.—*Nay.*
Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. Geo. H. McKnight.—*Aye.*
Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Chas. P. Clarke.—*Aye.*
Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes.—*Aye.* Rev. Robert E. Terry.—*Nay.*
Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Horace Hills, jr., Rev. Geo. Willard, Rev. Danl. T. Grinnell.—*Aye.*
Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, Rev. Josiah Phelps.—*Aye.*
Iowa.—Rev. Edw. W. Peet, Rev. Jno. Ufford.—*Aye.*
California.—Rev. Chris'r B. Wyatt.—*Aye.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner.—*Aye.*
New Hampshire.—Mr. Justus D. Watson.—*Aye.*
Vermont.—Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL.D., Mr. Sylvester Deming, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield.—*Aye.*
Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. Edw. A. Newton.—*Aye.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. Alexander Duncan, Mr. Geo. S. Wardwell, Mr. Wm. Binney.—*Aye.*
Connecticut.—Mr. Wm. F. Lee, Mr. Wm. W. Boardman.—*Aye.*
New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. Martin Lee, Mr. F. Smith.—*Aye.*
Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont, Mr. Benjamin Pringle.—*Aye.*
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall.—*Aye.*
Maryland.—Mr. E. F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D.—*Aye.*
Alabama.—Mr. J. M. Conley, Mr. Robert S. Bunker.—*Aye.*
Louisiana.—Mr. Jas. Chambers.—*Aye.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill.—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. E. E. Fillmore, Mr. J. Grant Mitchell.—*Aye.*
Illinois.—Mr. Henry S. Jennings.—*Aye.*
Michigan.—Mr. Henry P. Baldwin.—*Aye.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley.—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter.—*Nay.* Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin.—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. C. P. Gadsden.—*Nay.*

Texas.—Rev. E. H. Downing, Rev. Edward Fontaine.—*Nay.* Rev. Charles Gillette.—*Aye.*

LAITY.

Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Mr. Geo. M. Stroud.—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. Gregory Chandler.—*Nay.* Mr. Alex. J. Dupont.—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams. Mr. Morgan Nelson.—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. W. H. Battle.—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Robt. F. W. Allston, Mr. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. Charles Sinkler.—*Nay.*

Texas.—Mr. James Reily.—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Massachusetts.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Jno. Wayland, D.D., Rev. Wm. Horton.—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. A. A. Watson.—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Georgia.—Mr. Daniel Griffin.—*Aye.* Mr. James Potter.—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg.—*Aye.* Mr. J. F. Jett.—*Nay.*

So the proposed Amendment of Art. V. of the Constitution, was ratified by this House.

On motion of Mr. R. H. Gardiner,

Resolved, That the Resolution passed at the last Convention, instructing the Committee on Canons to inquire into the expediency of passing a Canon defining the position of a Bishop, without jurisdiction, and reported among the unfinished business, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of Mr. Murray Hoffman,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a Joint Committee of two of each House be appointed to prepare and lay before the next General Convention, a Digest of the Canons of the Church, under appropriate Titles, Canons, and Sections.

Resolved, That this Resolution be sent to the House of Bishops for concurrence. (See p. 125.)

The Chair appointed, on the part of the House, the Rev. Dr. Hawks and Mr. Murray Hoffman.

The following Message was received

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has concurred in the proposed amendment of Art. III. of the Constitution.

On motion the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY'S SESSION—WEDNESDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 15th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Alexander Burgess, a Deputy from the Diocese of Maine, assisted by the Rev. F. J. Clerc, a Deputy from the Diocese of Missouri.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Elections report, that the Rev. G. H. McKnight, of Indiana, asks leave of absence from and after Friday. The Rev. Dr. Croswell, of Connecticut, from and after this day. The Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, of Western New York, after Thursday. Mr. Benjamin Pringle, of Western New York, from and after this day. Mr. J. W. Andrews and Mr. J. Grant Mitchell, of Ohio, from and after Friday at 12 o'clock, and Mr. E. E. Fillmore, of Ohio, for two days after this day. The Committee also report, that Mr. Joel W. Condit has been duly appointed substitute for Mr. Wm. Wright, Lay Deputy of the Diocese of New Jersey. By order, &c.

M. MAHAN.

The question being taken on leave of absence being granted to the applicants above mentioned, it was decided in the affirmative.

The Secretary called the name of Mr. J. W. Condit as a Deputy from New Jersey, who answered and took his seat.

Mr. J. N. Conyngham, from the Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account, made the following report:— (See p. 69.)

The Committee appointed to examine the account of the Treasurer, respectfully report that they have performed that duty, and find the same to be correct. They also report, that they find the balance due the Treasurer to be $761 68, for advances made by him, and an outstanding bill not yet returned of about $86, which will make the whole indebtedness nearly $850. This sum should be immediately paid, as the Treasurer has already advanced in payment of the debt of the Convention out of his own private funds, the sum above stated to be due to him. They, therefore, recommend that the Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to draw upon the several Dioceses for their respective quotas, or proportionate parts of the above indebtedness. As the Committee are informed that the sums to be paid by the several Dioceses under Canon XV. of 1853, will not be sufficient to pay the contingent expenses of the General Convention, they respectfully present the annexed new Canon, and pray that the same may be referred to the Committee on Canons for their consideration:

"OF THE EXPENSES OF GENERAL CONVENTIONS."

Former Canons on this subject were the fifty-fourth of 1832, the eighth of 1835, the tenth of 1838. the first of 1844, and the fifteenth of 1853.)

"SECTION 1. In order that the contingent expenses of General Conventions may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meetings of the General Convention, for each Clergyman within said Diocese two dollars.

"SECT. 2. Canon XV. of 1853, is hereby repealed."

JOHN N. CONYNGHAM, *Chairman.*

On motion of Mr. Conyngham, the resolution providing for the present indebtedness of Convention, was adopted. On motion of the same, the Canon annexed was referred as recommended. (See p. 102.)

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Mason, from the Committee on a Standard Bible, presented the following report:—

The Committee appointed at the last General Convention on the subject of a Standard Bible, respectfully report, that to the important duty assigned them they have given such attention as opportunity would permit.

The propriety and even necessity of protecting the integrity of the text of Divine Revelation, as translated into the Anglo-Saxon tongue, is not less stringent now, but increasingly more so, than at any period since the attention of this supreme legislature of the Church was first attracted to the subject. Too many of the editions of the Holy Scriptures issued in this country are faulty in respect of typography, or in changes which affect the volume, either as it came from the hands of the translators under King James I., or as it exists in the present standard of the Church of England.

It seems desirable, therefore, that the protection of the General Convention of our Church should be interposed for the guardianship of the great depository of our faith in the English tongue.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend the following resolutions as adapted to secure that object, and as likely to result in a safe and reliable edition of the Holy Scriptures:

1st. That a competent person be appointed by this Convention to revise the Holy Scriptures, with reference to typographical errors.

2d. That a Committee of five, of whom the reviser named in the first resolution shall be one, be appointed, to whom the revision, when made or in its progressive stages shall be subjected for approval.

3d. That the report of this Committee, with the revision in full, be printed and presented to the next General Convention for final action.

HENRY M. MASON, *Chairman.*

The question being on the resolutions contained in the above Report, the Rev. Mr. Clerc moved that the Committee have leave to withdraw their Report, and to report in print and in full at the next General Convention.

The Chair put the question upon this motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The question then recurred upon the first resolution, which, after amendment accepted by the Committee who presented it, was adopted in the following words:—

Resolved, That a competent person be appointed by the Convention to correct typographical errors in the authorized translation of the Holy Scriptures, referring to the present standard edition. See p. 151.)

Mr. H. D. Evans moved to amend the second resolution in the Report, by striking out the words, "of whom the reviser named in the first resolution shall be one," and also substituting for the word "revision" the words "proposed corrections." The amendments were adopted, and the resolution passed as follows:—

2d. "That a Committee of five be appointed, to whom the proposed corrections when made, or in their progressive stages, shall be subjected for approval."

Mr. Evans moved to amend the third resolution so that it shall conform to the above, and that the resolution be adopted in the following form:—

Resolved 3d, That the Report of this Committee, with the proposed corrections in full be printed, and presented to the next General Convention for final action.

The amendment was adopted, and the resolution passed accordingly.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt, for the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report:

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, to whom was referred the Report of the Trustees of said Seminary, the Certificates of the Election of Trustees from the various Dioceses, and also the Memorials from the Diocese of South Carolina, one proposing certain amendments to the Constitution of the Seminary, and the other in reference to the legacy of the late Mr. Kohne to that Institution, having had several meetings, and given due consideration to the subjects referred to them, beg leave to make the following report.

Your Committee have read the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the Seminary, and knowing that misapprehensions exist in the minds of many of the friends of that Institution as to its financial conditions, and being satisfied, that many of its statements will be interesting to the whole Convention, they have adopted it as a part of their report. (See Appendix, F.)

Your Committee would further report that Certificates of the election of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary from the following Dioceses have been laid before them, viz.: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Western New

York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Missouri, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Texas, and Louisiana.

Those Dioceses which have not presented any such Certificates are as follows: Vermont, Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee, Georgia, and California.

The Memorial from the Diocese of South Carolina, in reference to the legacy of the late Mr. Kohne, engaged the attention of your Committee. One of their members, by diligent inquiry, procured all the available facts relevant to this case, and in a spirit of compromise and of equity, a majority of your Committee agreed to recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That by virtue of the legacy of the late Mr. Kohne to the General Theological Seminary, the Diocese of Pennsylvania be entitled to *Five* and the Diocese of South Carolina to *Four* additional Trustees of said Seminary.

In the judgment of a majority of your Committee, it is essential to the well-being of the General Theological Seminary that some modifications be made in its Constitution, and they would, therefore, recommend the following changes, viz.

1st. In Article III. of the Constitution, after the words "Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum," to insert the following—"*Absent Trustees may vote by proxy given to a co-Trustee of the same or of any other Diocese.*"

2d. In Article IV. after the words, "at such stated periods as they may determine," to insert the following, viz.: "*There shall always be a Meeting of the said Board at the time and place of the Meeting of the General Convention.*"

3d. That Article VII. read thus, viz:

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless by and in the General Convention, and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the Board of Trustees before they can be finally agreed to, or ratified in the ensuing General Convention; except that alterations originated by the Board of Trustees, may be acted on finally at the General Convention to which they shall have been first presented by said Board.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. Wyatt,

Chairman of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

Edw. F. Berkley, *Secretary.*

The Rev. Dr. Howe presented the Report of a Minority of the Committee on so much of the subject-matter of the above Report as respects the Kohne legacy.

The undersigned, a Minority of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, to which was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of South Carolina in regard to the Kohne Legacy, respectfully report:

That they are not informed that there has been any decision by legal authority upon the specific point at issue in this question, to wit—where Mr. Kohne had his domicil; and, therefore, they have not in possession those decisive facts, for the occurrence of which the settlement of this matter was postponed by the last General Convention.

They learn that although Mr. Kohne kept a furnished house in Charleston as well as in Philadelphia—yet he did not resort to the former habi-

tation at any time during the last three years of his life, although throughout most of that period he was not in such impaired health as to require the services of a physician.

They learn, further, that during that time, in certain legal documents, deeds and indentures, he described himself as "Frederic Kohne of Philadelphia;" and especially that he so designated himself in his last Will and Testament, by which the legacy was devised.

They learn, further, that Mr. Kohne died and was buried in Philadelphia, that his chosen executors were of this city, and that his Will was probated here and the legacies under it paid here, and the State tax thereon exacted and paid to the authorities of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

They conceive that the question of his residence, in earlier life, the scene of his business operations, by which his fortune was acquired—the place of resort of his widow after his death, have no pertinency to this question: and that the only matter to be determined in the premises, is, "in" what State was the bequest "given," whereby the General Theological Seminary received this endowment. And to them it seems indisputable that at the time when Mr Kohne made this Will, he had resided long enough in Pennsylvania alone, to give him citizenship, and that he continued in the same State thenceforward to the date of his death.

They therefore find themselves unable to agree in the Report of the Majority, because they believe Pennsylvania to be entitled to the full representation which accrues in consequence of this grant to the General Theological Seminary; and for the further reason that they cannot suppose that either under the Common Law or the Constitution of the Seminary, it is possible to recognize a man as having been endowed with half citizenship in two places. They submit, that Mr. Kohne must have had his legal residence in one State or the other, and that therefore, the partition of the representation in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary accruing from his Legacy to that institution, would be injustice to both parties. They, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution—

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House, the Diocese of Pennsylvania is entitled to an additional representation of Nine in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in consequence of the bequest of $100,000 to that Institution by Mr. Frederic Kohne, a citizen of the State of Pennsylvania.

M. A. De Wolfe Howe,
W. C. Pierrepont,
Herman Cope.

Philadelphia, October 15th, 1856.

Mr. Josiah Collins moved that the first resolution presented in the Report of the Majority be adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens moved to amend, by substituting after the word Resolved, the resolution offered by the Minority.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks moved to lay the resolutions of both the Majority and Minority, on this topic, on the table, but

in courtesy to a member desiring to speak thereon, withdrew it for a time.

Mr. J. Collins offered the following amendment to the amendment proposed by Dr. Stevens, to wit, strike out from the resolution in the Majority report, the words, "Five Trustees for Pennsylvania," and "Four for South Carolina," and insert "Nine Trustees for South Carolina."

The Rev. Dr. Hawks renewed his motion to lay the resolutions and proposed amendments thereon, upon the table, which, on a vote of the House, was decided in the negative.

The question was then put upon the amendment of Mr. Collins which was lost.

The amendment of the Rev. Dr. Stevens was next submitted to the House, and on a division was rejected.

The amendments being disposed of, the question recurred on the original motion, to wit., the adoption of the first resolution recommended in the majority Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, which was adopted.

A Committee of five required under the second resolution recommended in the report of the Committee on a Standard Bible, as amended and adopted by the House, was now appointed by the chair, as follows, viz.: the Rev. Drs. H. M. Mason, Alexander H. Vinton, and C. W. Andrews, and Messrs. Luther Bradish and Hugh Davy Evans.

For corrector of typographical errors, as contemplated in the first resolution, touching the Standard Bible, the Rev. Dr. Mead nominated the Rev. Thomas W. Coit.

The Chair decided that the election must, under the terms of the resolution, be made by the House itself, and could not properly proceed, pending action upon the report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

Accordingly, the adoption of the second resolution presented in the report on the Theological Seminary was moved by the Rev. Mr. Trapier.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton moved to amend, by striking out the words, "or of any other Diocese."

Pending the discussion of the subject, the hour for adjournment arrived, whereupon the Rev. Mr. Trapier, occupying the floor, moved that the debate be suspended until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that the vote on the question before the House be taken at 12 M.

The motion to suspend was adopted.

The Secretary announced the presentation on the table of the House, of The Triennial Report of the Missionary Bishop to California, and moved its reference to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See Appendix E.) The motion to refer was adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY'S SESSION—THURSDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 16th, 1856.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Florida, assisted by the Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Illinois.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton moved that the Rules of Order be suspended, respecting the order of business, to allow the offering of a resolution, which would probably expedite the business of the House. The Rules were accordingly suspended, and he presented the following:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this House adjourn, *sine die*, on Monday evening next, at ten o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton moved to amend, by substituting "Thursday" for Monday.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks proposed to amend the amendment, by inserting Tuesday at one o' clock, P. M., for Thursday at ten.

The Rev. Dr. Talbot offered the following as a substitute for all:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this Convention will adjourn, *sine die*, on Wednesday next, at one o'clock, P. M.

The day proposed by Dr. F. Vinton being the most remote, the question was tried first upon his motion, and it was lost.

The substitute of the Rev. Dr. Talbot was next in order, and the question being taken thereon, it was rejected.

The amendment of the Rev. Dr. Hawks being now before the House, the Chair put the question thereon, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks then moved that the resolution as amended, be adopted. (See p. 82.)

Mr. D. B. Ryall moved to lay this resolution on the table; the question being taken on the motion to lay on the table, it was lost.

The question then recurring on the resolution as amended, it was decided in the affirmative. So this House determined, should the House of Bishops concur, to adjourn, *sine die*, on Tuesday next at one o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:—

The Committee on Elections report, that the Rev. Daniel Henshaw has been duly appointed substitute for the Rev. Dr. Crocker, Clerical Deputy of Rhode Island; also, that the Rev. Wm. G. Spencer, of Indiana, applies for leave of absence after this week; The Rev. A. A. Miller, of Florida, from and after Saturday; Mr. R. P. Lane, of Illinois, from and after this day; The Rev. Dr. Bourns, of New Hampshire, from twelve o'clock to-day. By order of the Committee,

M. MAHAN.

The Rev. Dr. Talbot moved that the House do not grant leave of absence to the above applicants, lest the House should be left without a quorum for the transaction of business, which motion prevailed.

The Rev. Mr. Henshaw, a Deputy from Rhode Island, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, presented the following reports:—(See pp. 82 57, 120.)

The Committee on Canons, to whom was recommitted the proposed Canon for the Trial of Bishops, and the several amendments thereto, which had been submitted to the House, beg leave to *report*, that they have with great care and labor considered the various suggestions and propositions laid before them, and with an anxious desire to conform to the principles indicated by this House in the course of the previous discussions on the subject, they have digested from the various propositions referred to them, a system which they submit as embodying the views of a large majority of the members of this House, and which they are pleased to be able to say, can be presented, as having the unanimous approbation of the Committee.

They, therefore, offer the following resolution for adoption by the House:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Canon for the Trial of Bishops be adopted as follows, viz:—

CANON

OF THE TRIAL OF A BISHOP.

Of Offences for which a Bishop may be Tried.

SECTION I. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for trial on charges for the following offences, viz:—

1. Crime or immorality.

2. Holding and teaching publicly, or privately and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by this Church.

3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.

4. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs.

5. Any act which involves a breach of his ordination or consecration vows.

How the Proceedings shall Commence.

SECTION II. The proceedings shall commence by charges in writing; and, except when the charge is, holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by the Church, shall be signed by either

1. Three male communicants of this Church in good standing belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom one at least must be a Presbyter; or,

2. By five male communicants of this Church in good standing, of whom one at least shall be a Presbyter, and two of which five shall belong to the Diocese of the accused.

3. Whenever a Bishop of this Church shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, if he please, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may select, demand of the presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, if he be the Bishop affected by such rumors, or if he be related to him within the degrees hereinafter mentioned, then to the Bishop next in seniority not so related, to convene a board of inquiry in the mode hereinafter set forth, to investigate such rumors, reports and charges; and to proceed in all respects, according to the provisions of this Canon, as if charges had been formally made in either of the two modes first mentioned in this section.

Whenever charges are formally made in either of the modes first above-mentioned, the accusers may, if they choose, select a lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as their adviser, advocate and agent, in preparing the accusation, proofs, &c., until such time as a board of inquiry is convened in such manner as is hereinafter provided for:—or they may prepare such charges themselves, without regard to any particular form; and, in either case, the grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstances.

To whom the Charges shall be Presented.

SECTION III. The charges having been prepared in either of the modes first above mentioned, shall then be delivered to the presiding Bishop of the Church, if he be not the accused, nor related to the accused in any degree mentioned hereafter in this Canon: in either of which cases, the charges shall be delivered to the next Bishop in seniority, not so related.

Of the Constitution of a Board to make a Preliminary Inquiry, and their Proceedings therein.

SECTION IV. A Board for making a preliminary inquiry into charges thus preferred shall be constituted as follows, whenever such Board shall be necessary, viz:—

The Presiding Bishop or Senior Bishop, as the case may be, to whom such charges are delivered, shall take the list of Clerical and Lay Depu-

ties to the last General Convention that was held before such charges are presented, and from that list shall choose, by lot, two Presbyters and two Laymen from the deputation of the Diocese of the accused Bishop, and two Presbyters, and two Laymen from each of the respective deputations of the three Dioceses adjoining that of the accused; and if there be not three adjoining, of the three nearest thereto; and if more than three Dioceses adjoin that of the accused, those three that have the largest number of canonically resident Presbyters in them shall be accounted adjoining for the purposes of this Canon. And the sixteen individuals thus selected by lot shall constitute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for doing business.

The Presiding Bishop, or next in seniority, as the case may be, immediately after thus selecting, by lot, the Board of Inquiry shall give notice thereof to each member of said Board, and direct him to attend at a time and place designated by him and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The Presiding Bishop shall at the same time, send a copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church-Advocate, who must be a lay communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church; and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private; the Church-Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations and such proof as the accusers may produce; and shall determine whether upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by any Ecclesiastical Court, now authorized or hereafter to be authorized by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. If a majority of the Board present on such investigation, shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to put the accused Bishop on his trial, they shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment to be signed by such of the Board as agree thereto; and to that end shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony, that has been laid before the Board.

The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed; and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop on his trial, in such case the charges, together with a certificate of the President of the Board of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops to be deposited among the archives of

that House. And no proceedings shall thereafter be had by way of presentment on such charges, except upon the affidavit of a respectable communicant of the Church of the discovery of new testimony as to the facts charged, and setting forth what such testimony is.

No presentment shall be found in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the Presiding or Senior Bishop. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a State Court, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be founded on charges delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop at any time within one year after such conviction.

Of the Action of the Presiding or Senior Bishop.

SECTION V. When a presentment has been made by the Board of Inquiry, or a majority thereof, to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, it shall be the duty of such Bishop forthwith to give to the accused written notice to attend at some place not more than one hundred miles from the place of residence of the accused Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty days after the time of serving such notice, either personally or by some agent authorized by him, in writing, to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. He shall also give notice of the time and place appointed for such selection, to the Church Advocate. At the time and place appointed in the notices, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend, and in the presence of the accused Bishop, or of his agent authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such person or persons as may attend in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by himself, the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, then being within the territory of the United States, except the accused, and those Bishops who may be related to him either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending lines, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall then cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused or his agent may strike off the list one name, and the said Church Advocate or his agent another name, and so on alternately, until the number be reduced to seven. If it shall happen that either party shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the Bishop, who has given the notices, shall reduce the number to seven by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Bishops whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

The Court having been thus constituted, the Bishop to whom the presentment was made, shall immediately communicate to each Bishop who has thus been by lot designated as one of the triers, the fact that he is a member of the Court. He shall also appoint a time and place for the assembling of the Court. The time shall not be less than two, nor more than six calendar months from the day on which the notice should arrive at the most distant Diocese, in the ordinary course of the public mail. The place shall be within the Diocese or missionary field

ties to the last General Convention that was held before such charges are presented, and from that list shall choose, by lot, two Presbyters and two Laymen from the deputation of the Diocese of the accused Bishop, and two Presbyters, and two Laymen from each of the respective deputations of the three Dioceses adjoining that of the accused; and if there be not three adjoining, of the three nearest thereto; and if more than three Dioceses adjoin that of the accused, those three that have the largest number of canonically resident Presbyters in them shall be accounted adjoining for the purposes of this Canon. And the sixteen individuals thus selected by lot shall constitute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for doing business.

The Presiding Bishop, or next in seniority, as the case may be, immediately after thus selecting, by lot, the Board of Inquiry shall give notice thereof to each member of said Board, and direct him to attend at a time and place designated by him and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The Presiding Bishop shall at the same time, send a copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church-Advocate, who must be a lay communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church; and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private; the Church-Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations and such proof as the accusers may produce; and shall determine whether upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by any Ecclesiastical Court, now authorized or hereafter to be authorized by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. If a majority of the Board present on such investigation, shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to put the accused Bishop on his trial, they shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment to be signed by such of the Board as agree thereto; and to that end shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony, that has been laid before the Board.

The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed; and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop on his trial, in such case the charges, together with a certificate of the President of the Board of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops to be deposited among the archives of

call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth: so help me God!"

And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness, which shall be filed and transmitted, with his or her deposition, to the Court.

The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or, if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness: And such party so desiring to take the deposition, shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read. *Provided*, that, in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer on oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.

V. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper, on the Church Advocate and accused respectively.

VI. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day on which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

VII. The accused may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have assistant advocates to be named by the accusers; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court or examine witnesses; the Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused on the other. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.

VIII. The Court having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively, whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment, in the order in which they are set

of the accused Bishop, unless where the same may be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the Presiding or Senior Bishop, that reasonable convenience may require the appointment of another location. And the said Senior Bishop shall cause the Church Advocate to send certified copies of the said presentment to all the Bishops who constitute the Court.

The Bishop to whom the presentment has been made shall also immediately communicate to the accused the names of the members of the Court; and inform him of the time and place appointed for its meeting, and summon him, then and there to appear and answer. He, or any other Bishop of this Church having charge of a Diocese, shall have power, until the Court assembles, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, to issue a summons for witnesses.

Of the Organization of the Court, and its Proceedings.

SECTION VI. The Bishops who constitute the Court, or a majority of them, having assembled according to the notice given them, which notice it is hereby made their duty to obey, shall proceed as follows, viz:

I. They shall elect a President out of their own number, and appoint a Presbyter of the Church as Clerk, and if necessary, another Presbyter as assistant Clerk; and when thus organized, the President shall direct the Clerk to call the names of the Church Advocate and the accused, and if both appear, he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment, which was delivered to the Presiding or Senior Bishop, whose duty it is hereby made to deliver the same to the Court upon its organization.

II. The accused shall then be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him, and his plea shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him and the trial shall proceed:—*Provided*, that for sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn from time to time; *And provided also*, that the accused shall at all times, during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order to produce his testimony and to make his defence.

III. If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and notify him that sentence of suspension or degradation will be pronounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months, unless within that time he tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take his trial on the presentment. But if the accused shall not enter himself before the expiration of the said three months, sentence of suspension, or degradation from the ministry, may be pronounced against him by the Court.

IV. The accused being present and the trial proceeding, it shall be conducted according to the principles of the common law, as the same are generally administered in the United States; nor shall any testimony be received at the trial, except from witnesses who have signed a declaration in the following words, to be read aloud before the witness testifies, and to be filed with the records of the Court:

"I, A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a presentment against the Right Rev. ————, a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnly

call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth: so help me God!"

And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness, which shall be filed and transmitted, with his or her deposition, to the Court.

The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or, if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness: And such party so desiring to take the deposition, shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read. *Provided*, that, in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer on oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.

V. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper, on the Church Advocate and accused respectively.

VI. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day on which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

VII. The accused may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have assistant advocates to be named by the accusers; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court or examine witnesses; the Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused on the other. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.

VIII. The Court having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively, whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment, in the order in which they are set

forth; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court. The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications of which a majority of the members of the Court have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing and signed by those who assent to it; and a decision pronouncing him not guilty of all those charges and specifications of which a majority shall not have pronounced him guilty, shall also be drawn up and signed by those who assent to it; and the decision thus signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

IX. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has any thing to say before the sentence is passed, and may, in their discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence; and before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a belief that justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony; and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, according to a sound discretion, grant him a new trial. But in such new trial, no Bishop shall sit who has already been a trier.

Before passing sentence, the accused shall always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation.

X. The accused having been heard, or not desiring to be heard, the sentence of the Court shall then be pronounced, and shall be either admonition, suspension as defined by the existing canons of the Church, or degradation, as the offence or offences adjudged to be proved shall seem to deserve.

It shall be the duty of the Court whenever sentence has been pronounced, whether it be upon a trial, or for contumacy, to communicate such sentence to the Ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese of this Church; and it shall be the duty of such authority to cause such sentence to be made known to every Clergyman under his jurisdiction.

XI. Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the whole evidence given before it. Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a statement of any testimony which has been received, or of any decision which the Court has made, or of any fact which has occurred in Court, or any paper which either party has produced, it shall be the right of either party to file an exception in writing, containing a statement of such evidence, decision, or fact, or referring to or describing, such paper, which paper shall also be filed with the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed shall become parts of the record.

XII. Such records shall be kept by the Clerk and inserted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, shall be deposited with the Registrar of the General Convention. Such books and papers shall be open to the inspection of every member of the Church.

XIII. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Canon, shall be attended by one or more lay-assessors, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such assessors

may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but they shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give in person to the Court an opinion on any question, not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court, by a majority of votes.

The Court may always by unanimous consent, appoint an assessor or assessors. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they all shall be assessors; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

Of presentments for holding and teaching doctrines contrary to that of this Church.

SECTION. VII. I. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for holding and teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, by any Bishop in communion with this Church, and not under suspension or degradation. No Bishop shall be presented in any other mode for this offence; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Bishop making such presentment shall appoint a Church Advocate.

II. Every presentment for alleged erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person making it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and delivered to the Senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and not being the accused or the accuser, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the trial of the accused. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser and the accused. Three-fourths of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum, but the consent of two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall be necessary to a conviction.

Of the trial of a Missionary Bishop, or of a Bishop without jurisdiction.

SECTION VIII. I. If charges are preferred against a Missionary Bishop who is not a Diocesan, such Missionary Bishop shall be required by the Presiding or Senior Bishop to name some one of the three Dioceses nearest to his district or missionary field; and such selection having been made, the proceedings shall then be precisely such, as under this Canon they would be were he the Diocesan of the Diocese named by him. Should the Missionary Bishop refuse to name a Diocese, then the Presiding Bishop, may name any one of the three above designated, and the effect shall be the same as if the nomination had been made by the accused Missionary Bishop.

II. If charges are preferred against a Bishop having no jurisdiction, he shall be proceeded against precisely as if he were the Diocesan of the Diocese in which he has his civil residence.

Canon III. of 1844 is hereby repealed.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hawks, the same was made the order of the day for twelve o'clock this day. (See pp.31, 114.)

Also,

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred several Canons with the following titles, viz:—Canons respecting Ordinations; Canon

of Clerical Residence and Removal; and Canon of the Election and Institution of Ministers, respectfully report, that they have had the same Canons under consideration, and do now present them to this House for adoption, and submit the following resolution to that end:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Canons herewith reported, entitled Canon respecting Ordination, Canon of Clerical Residence and Removal, and Canon of the Election and Institution of Ministers, be adopted, as follows:—

CANONS

RESPECTING ORDINATION.

CANON X.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795, the seventh of 1804, the seventh of 1808, the eighth of 1820, the first of 1823, the Canon of 1826, the ninth of 1832, the fourth of 1838, the ninth of 1841, the sixth of 1847, and the seventh of 1853.

Also, the sixth of 1804, the seventh of 1808, the fourth and fifth of 1820, the first of 1829, the twenty-first and twenty-fourth of 1832, and third of 1835, and the seventh of 1838.

Also the eighth of 1808, and tenth of 1832.

Also the tenth of 1804, and nineteenth of 1808, and the eleventh of 1832.

Also the eighth of 1804, the fourteenth of 1808, and the sixteenth of 1832.

Also the sixth of 1838.

Also the ninth of 1834, the sixteenth of 1808, and the twelfth of 1832.]

SECTION 1.[1] All persons seeking admision to the ministry of this Church, are to be regarded as Candidates for Holy Orders.

SECTION 2.[2] Every person who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he intends to apply, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese. No person, who has previously applied for admission as a Candidate in any Diocese, and has been refused admission, or having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Candidate, shall be admitted as a Candidate in any other Diocese, until he shall have produced from the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee of the former Diocese, a certificate declaring the cause for which he was refused admission, or for which he ceased to be a Candidate.

SECTION 3.[3] A person desirous of becoming a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop, or Ecclesiastical authority, shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese.

SECTION 4.[4] No person shall be considered as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop, to whom he intends to apply for orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that, from personal knowledge or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship

[1] 1838, vii. § 1.
[2] 1853, vii. § 10.
[3] 1853, vii. § 1.
[4] 1853, vii. § 2.

of the Protestant Episcopal Church, a communicant of the same, and, in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above, from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECTION 5.[1] It ought also to be made known to every Candidate for whatever order of the Ministry, that the Church expects of him what never can be brought to the test of any outward standard; an inward fear and worship of Almighty God, a love of religion, and a sensibility of its holy influence, a habit of devout affection, and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influences can be manifested.

SECTION 6.[2] The requisitions of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a Candidate for Orders, and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the Candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a Candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECTION 7.[3] It is hereby declared, that the Canons of this Church which respect Candidates for Holy Orders, shall affect as well those coming from places in the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to, as those residing in states or territories in which it has been adopted; and in such cases, every Candidate shall produce to the Bishop to whom he may apply for Holy Orders, the requisite testimonials subscribed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese into which he has come.

SECTION 8.[4] When a person who, not having had Episcopal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate among any other denomination of Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this Church, he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides; or if he resides in a state or territory in which there is no organized Diocese, to the Missionary Bishop within whose jurisdiction he resides; which notice shall be accompanied with a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

SECTION 9.[5] If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall think proper to proceed, the party applying to be received as a Candidate, shall produce to the Standing Committee[6] a testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he came, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, in part

[1] 1853, vii. § 5. [2] 1853, vii. § 6. [3] 1832, xvi.
[4] 1838, vii. § 2. [5] 1838, vii. § 3.
[6] A few words omitted, as not applicable to the present system.

of the denomination from which he came, and in part Episcopalians, satisfactory to the Committee, that the applicant has for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and, also, a testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, that they believe him to be pious, sober and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Church. The Standing Committee being satisfied on these points, may recommend him to the Bishop to be received as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, or, in a vacant Diocese, the Standing Committee may so receive him.

SECTION 10.[1] When any person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, (in addition to the above qualifications,) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

SECTION 11.[2] The Bishop or other Ecclesiastical authority, who may have the superintendance of Candidates for Orders, shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently, and under proper direction, and that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most liable to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits which become those who are preparing for the holy Ministry.

SECTION 12.[3] No Candidate for Holy Orders shall take upon himself to perform the services of the Church, but by a license from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Candidate may wish to perform the service. And such Candidate shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop or said Clerical members may prescribe; he shall not use the absolution or benediction; he shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the congregation; and shall officiate from the desk only; he shall conform to the directions of the Bishop or said Clerical members, as to the sermons or homilies to be read; nor shall any Lay Reader deliver sermons of his own composition; nor, except in case of extraordinary emergency, or very peculiar expediency, perform any part of the service, when a Clergyman is present in the congregation.

SECTION 13.[4] No person who is a Candidate for Holy Orders in this Church, shall be permitted to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

SECTION 14.[5] A Candidate for Orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a Candidate, be transferred to the jurisdiction of any Bishop of this Church, and if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the Candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination without the permission of the former.

SECTION 15.[6] Candidates shall not change their Canonical residence but for *bona fide* causes requiring the same, to be judged of by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted,

[1] 1838, vii. § 6.
[2] 1832, x.
[3] 1832, xi.
[4] 1838, vi.
[5] 1853, vii. § 8.
[6] 1853, vii. § 10.

or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any theological or other seminary.

SECTION 16.[1] No Bishop shall ordain any Candidate until he has inquired of him whether he has ever, directly or indirectly, applied for Orders in any other Diocese; and if the Bishop has reason to believe that the Candidate has been refused Orders in any other Diocese, he shall write to the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, to know whether any just cause exists why the Candidate should not be ordained. When any Bishop rejects the application of any Candidate for Orders, he shall immediately give notice to the Bishop of every Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

SECTION 17. Canons XI., XII. and XVI. of 1832, VI. and VII. of 1838, and VII. of 1853, are hereby repealed.

CANON V.

Of Deacons.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789, the fourth of 1792, the second of 1795, the twelfth of 1808, and the fifteenth of 1832.

Also the thirteenth of 1808, and the seventeenth of 1832.

Also the sixth of 1804, the seventeenth of 1808, the fourth and fifth of 1820, the first of 1829, the twenty-first and twenty-fourth of 1832, the third of 1835, and the seventh of 1838.

Also the sixth of 1844, the fifth of 1847, and the fifth of 1853.]

SECTION 1.[2] Every person hereafter to be ordained Deacon in this Church, shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters, whose duty it shall be to ascertain that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures and the Book of Common Prayer, and who shall inquire into his fitness for the ministrations declared in the Ordinal to appertain to the office of a Deacon, and be satisfied thereof.

SECTION 2.[3] No person shall be entitled to such examination, until he[4] shall have remained a Candidate for Orders at least one year, and shall have presented to the Bishop a testimonial from at least[4] one Rector of a Parish,[4] signifying a belief that he is well qualified to minister in the office of a Deacon, to the glory of God and the edification of the Church.

SECTION 3. Candidates who not having Episcopal ordination, have been acknowledged as ordained or licensed Ministers among any other denomination of Christians, may, at the expiration of not less than six months from their admission as candidates, be ordained Deacons on their passing the same examinations, as other Candidates for Deacon's Orders; and in the examinations, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence they come differs from this Church, with a view of testing their information and soundness in the same, and also to the ascertaining that they are adequately acquainted with the Liturgy and offices of this Church; *provided*, that in their case the testimonials shall be required to cover only the time since their admission as Candidates of Orders.[5]

SECTION 4.[6] No person shall be ordained Deacon in this Church,

[1] 1832. xii. [2] 1853, v. § 1. [3] 1853, v. § 2.
[4] A few words omitted as implied elsewhere.
[5] 1838, vii. 4, slightly modified to adapt it to the present system.
[6] 1832, xv. § 1.

unless he exhibit to the Bishop testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:—

"We, whose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not written, taught or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or disciplin of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord ———."

SECTION 5.[1] But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such candidate shall produce from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, or from the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant, or if there be no Vestry, from at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, in the following form:—

"We, whose names are hereunto written, do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord ———."

He shall also lay before the Standing Committee testimonials, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form:—

"I do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and has not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord ———."

SECTION 6.[2] But in case a Candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, should be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable Presbyter of the said Church, who has been personally acquainted with the Candidate for at least one year.

SECTION 7.[3] Every Candidate for Holy Orders, who may be recommended by the Standing Committee of any Church destitute of a Bishop, if he have resided for the greater part of the three years last past within the Diocese of any Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination. And such Candidate shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from

[1] 1832, xv. § 2. [2] 1832, xv. § 3. [3] 1832, xv. § 4.

the Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

SECTION 8.[1] When any person not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained or licensed Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

SECTION 9.[2] No Deacon shall be settled over a Parish or Congregation, until he shall have satisfactorily passed the three examinations required for Priest's Orders. No Deacon shall officiate in any Parish or Congregation, without the express consent of the Rector for the time being, where there is a Rector; nor, in any case, without the assent of the Bishop; and when officiating in the Parish or Congregation of a Rector, he shall be entirely subject to the direction of such Rector in all his ministrations.

SECTION 10.[3] No Deacon who shall not have passed the examinations required for Priest's Orders, shall be transferred to another Diocese, without the written request of the Bishop to whose jurisdiction he is to be transferred.

SECTION 11.[4] Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulations of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is ordained, unless he receive letters of dismission therefrom to the Bishop, or Ecclesiastical authority of some other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a Clergyman of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate in such places as the Bishop or the said Clerical Members may direct.

SECTION 12.[5] A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Orders, as specified in the Office for Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to Ecclesiastical censure.

SECTION 13. Canons XV. and XVII. of 1832, and V. of 1853 are hereby repealed.

CANON Z.

Of the Ordination of Priests.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789, the fourth of 1792, the second of 1795, the twelfth of 1808, and the fifteenth of 1832.

Also the fifth of 1789, the thirteenth of 1808, and the nineteenth of 1832.

Also the seventh of 1789, altered in 1792, the fourth of 1799, the second of 1801, the ninth of 1808, the thirteenth of 1832, the fifth of 1838, and the sixth of 1853.

Also the sixth of 1795, the seventh of 1804, the seventh of 1808, the eighth of 1820, the first of 1823, the Canon of 1826, the ninth of 1832, the fourth of 1838, the ninth of 1841, the sixth of 1847, and the seventh of 1853.

Also the eleventh of 1808, the eighteenth of 1832, and the eighth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. Every Deacon of this Church may be admitted by the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, (on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, or where there is no Bishop, by the Standing Committee,) a Candidate for Priest's Orders; provided he have the qualifications hereinafter required.

[1] 1838, vii. § 6. [2] 1853, v. § 3. [3] 1853, v. § 4.
[4] 1832, xvii. The latter part is omitted as not adapted to the present system.
[5] 1853, viii. § 4.

A Candidate for Deacon's Orders may in like manner and upon the same terms, be admitted a Candidate for Priest's Orders; provided he do not require the dispensation hereinafter allowed. But no person shall be ordained Priest, until he has been a Deacon one year.

SECTION 2.[1] No person shall be ordained Priest in this Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop and Presbyters, by whom he shall be examined, that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures; can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek; is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue; and that he hath a competent knowledge of Natural and Moral Philosophy, and Church History, and hath paid attention to Composition and Pulpit Eloquence, as a means of giving additional efficiency to his labors; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, has dispensed with the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of knowledge not strictly Ecclesiastical, in consideration of such other qualifications for the Gospel Ministry as are set forth in Section 4 of this Canon. The dispensation with the knowledge of the Hebrew language to be regarded as in that section.

SECTION 3.[2] Every person wishing to become a Candidate for Priest's Orders, must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence, that he is a graduate of some university or college, or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, the Clerical members of the Standing Committee to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Greek Testament and the Latin tongue.

SECTION 4.[3] When a Deacon, applying to be admitted a Candidate for Priest's Orders, wishes a knowledge of the Latin, Greek and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning, not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a Candidate until he has laid before them a testimonial signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence, and the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall have granted the dispensation. But in regard to a knowledge of the Hebrew language, in all cases the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation.

SECTION 5.[4] If after obtaining the Canonical testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a Candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a Candidate for the term of three years before his ordination to the Priest, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the Candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECTION 6.[5] Every person who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination, and has been received as a Candidate for Priest's Orders in this Church, may be allowed by the Bishop, with the consent of the members of the Standing Committee, the period of time during which he has been a student of Theology, or Candidate in such other denomination: provided the time so allowed does not exceed two years.

[1] 1853, vi. [2] 1853, vii. § 3. [3] 1853, vii. § 4.
[4] 1853, vii. § 7. [5] 1838, vii. § 5.

SECTION 7.[1] No person shall be ordained Priest in this Church, unless he exhibit to the Bishop testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:

"We, whose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord ———."

SECTION 8.[2] But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any Candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such Candidate shall produce from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, or if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, a Deacon desirous of Priest's Orders, from the Vestry alone, testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, in the form prescribed in the fifth section of the Canon entitled "Of Deacons," only changing the word "Deacons," wherever it occurs, for Priests. Under the circumstances mentioned in the sixth section of that Canon, or if there should be no Vestry, the certificate provided for in that section, may be substituted for that above mentioned.

SECTION 9.[3] In the case of a Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders, as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and the Standing Committee shall allow the testimonials so altered the same effect as if in the form prescribed, and shall sign their own testimonial in such altered form, with the same effect as if in the form above prescribed, unless some circumstance shall have occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained Deacon.

SECTION 10.[4] No person shall be ordained Priest unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate from some Church, Parish, or Congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their Minister, or unless he be a Missionary under the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belongs, or in the employment of some Missionary Society recognised by the General Convention, or, unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated.

SECTION 11.[5] There shall be assigned to every candidate for Priest's Orders, three different examinations, at such times and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for orders, shall appoint. The examination shall take place in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the Canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At the *first* examination, on the Books of Scripture, the Candidate being required to give an account of the different books, and to translate from the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to

[1] 1832, xv. § 1. [2] 1832, xv. § 2. [3] 1832, vii. § 5. [4] 1832, xix. [5] 1853, viii. § 1.

him. At the *second* examination, on the Evidences of Christianity and Systematic Divinity. And at the last examination, on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the Candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations, he shall produce and read a sermon or discourse composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture previously assigned him, which, together with two other sermons, or discourses, on some passage of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticisms of the Bishop and Clergy present. And before his ordination, he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the service of the Church, and delivering his sermons with propriety and devotion. Such examinations may take place either before or after the admission of the Candidate to Deacon's Orders. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed to require any person who has already passed any examination to repeat the same.

SECTION 12.[1] The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations; and a certificate from these Presbyters, that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly and satisfaction given, shall be required of the Candidate; provided that, in this case, the Candidate shall, before his ordination, be examined by the Bishop and two or more Presbyters on the above named studies.

SECTION 13.[2] In a Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall act in his place in appointing the examining Presbyters required by this Canon. And in this case the Candidate shall be again examined by the Bishop to whom he applies for orders, and two or more Presbyters, on the studies above prescribed by the Canons.

SECTION 14.[3] If any Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third examination held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a Candidate.

SECTION 15.[4] No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate as a Priest in any Congregation or Church, destitute of a Bishop, situated without the jurisdiction of these United States, until the usual testimony from the Standing Committee, founded upon sufficient evidence of his soundness in the faith, and of his pious and moral character, has been obtained, nor until the Candidate has been examined on the studies prescribed by the Canons of this Church. And should any such Clergyman, so ordained, wish to settle in any Congregation of this Church, he must obtain a special license therefor from the Bishop, and officiate as a probationer for at least one year.

SECTION 16.[5] A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Orders, as specified in the Office for Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to Ecclesiastical censure.

SECTION 17. Canons XVIII. and XXII. of 1832, and VI. and VIII. of 1853, are hereby repealed.

[1] 1853, viii. § 2. [2] 1853, viii. § 3. [3] 1853. vii. § 9. [4] 1832, xxii. [5] 1853, viii. § 4.

CANON A.

Of Clerical Residence and Removal.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifth of 1844, and the seventh of 1850.]

SECTION 1.[1] A Minister of this Church removing within the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other Ecclesiastical authority, shall, in order to gain Canonical residence in the same, present to said Ecclesiastical authority a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary district in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character.

SECTION 2.[2] The testimonial may be in the following form:

"I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical authority of ———, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of ———, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion or viciousness of life for three years last past."

SECTION 3.[3] All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dimissory. No such letter shall affect a Minister's Canonical residence, until, after having been presented according to its address, it shall have been accepted, and notification of such acceptance given to the authority whence it proceeded. The residence of the Minister so transferred, shall date from the acceptance of his letter of transfer. If not presented within three months after its date, it may be considered as void by the authority whence it proceeded; and shall be so considered, unless it be presented within six months.

SECTION 4.[4] If a Minister removing into another Diocese, who has been called to take charge of a Parish or Congregation, shall present a testimonial, in the form set out in the second Section of this Canon, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard rumors, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of Canonical inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and in such case it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical authority to accept the testimonial unless and until the Minister shall be exculpated from the said charges.

SECTION 5.[5] It shall be the duty of all Ministers, except Professors in the General Theological Seminary, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains in the Army and Navy, to obtain and present letters of transfer, as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary district to another, and remain therein for the space of six months.

SECTION 6. Canon VII. of 1850, is hereby repealed.

[1] Canon vii. 1850, §§ 1 and 2. [2] Ibid, § 1. [3] Ibid, § 3.
[4] Ibid, § 1; Canon xiv. 1853, § 2. The 4th and 6th sections of Canon vii. of 1850, are omitted as more properly belonging to another subject. See Canon B. §§ 4 and 5. [5] Section 5, Canon vii. 1850.

CANON B.

Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes and Churches.

[Former Canons on this subject were the seventeenth of 1789, the third of 1799, the first of 1804, the twenty-ninth of 1808, the second of 1814, the thirtieth of 1832, and the fourteenth of 1853.]

SECTION 1.[1] It is hereby required that on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

"We, the Churchwardens, (or, *in case of an Assistant Minister*, We, the Rector and Churchwardens,) do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop,*) or to the Rev. (*naming the President of the Standing Committee,*) that (*naming the person*) has been duly chosen Rector (*or* Assistant Minister, (*as the case may be*) of (*naming the Parish, or Church, or Churches.*)"

Which certificate shall be signed with the names of those who certify.

SECTION 2.[2] If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book, to be kept by him for that purpose.

SECTION 3.[3] And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop or President of the Standing Committee may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted, according to the Office established by this Church, if that office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a Deacon, the act of Institution shall not take place until after he shall have received Priest's Orders. This provision, concerning the use of the Office of Institution, is not to be considered as applying to any Congregation destitute of a house of worship.

SECTION 4.[4] No Minister removing from one Diocese or Missionary district to another, shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or district to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify, that the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a Minister in regular standing."

SECTION 5.[5] No Minister shall officiate transiently in a vacant Parish, or in one the Rector or Minister of which is sick or absent, unless the Wardens or Vestry are satisfied he is at the time a Minister in good and regular standing. When from another Diocese, letters commendatory from the Ecclesiastical authority thereof may be required.

SECTION 6. Canon XIV. of 1853 is hereby repealed. (See pp. 31, 121.)

[1] Canon xiv. 1853, section 1. Section 2 is transferred to Canon A. § 4.
[2] Ibid. Section 3. Section 4 omitted.
[3] Ibid. Section 5.
[4] Canon vii. 1850. Section 4.
[5] Ibid. Section 6.

Also,

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the Memorial of certain members of the Church, residents in Burlington, N. J., asking the repeal, or modification of the IXth Canon, of 1853, respectfully *report*, that the Canon referred to provides the means of a revision of the decision of a Bishop, when adverse to the formation of a new Parish, by a Convention of the Diocese. That the same is applicable to the case of a Bishop who is the Rector of a Parish, as well as to other cases. That the Memorialists have not resorted to this method of redress, and the Committee cannot suppose that such an application would not receive an impartial consideration.

On the ground, therefore, that the Memorialists have not exhausted the remedy now open to them, the Committee report, that no legislation in the case is advisable, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject. (See pp. 48, 105.)

By order of the Committee.

October 15th, 1856. WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

Also,

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution to amend the Sixth Article of the Constitution, in relation to the establishment of a Court of Appeals, respectfully report the following resolution:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the Sixth Article the following Article:—

Article VI. The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention, the Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, but the General Convention may constitute a Court of Appeals for the revision of the decision of Diocesan Courts. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon. Such Courts of Appeal not to revise the determination of any question of fact.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions. (See pp. 51, 121.)

WM. COOPER MEAD,
October 15th, 1856. *Chairman.*

Also,

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (see p. 52.) a proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution, respectfully report, that in their opinion it is inexpedient to make such amendment, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
October 16th, 1856. *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. (See p. 127.)

The Committee on Canons, by their Chairman, also presented the following, viz:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (See p. 76.) the proposed Canon relative to the expenses of the General Convention, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and offer the following resolution on the subject, for adoption.

Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted.

CANON.

Of the Expenses of General Conventions.

[Former Canons on this subject, were the fifty-fourth of 1832, the eighth of 1835, the tenth of 1838, the first of 1844, and the fifteenth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. In order that the contingent expenses of General Conventions may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meetings of the General Convention, two dollars for each Clergyman within said Diocese.

SECTION 2. Canon XV. of 1853, is hereby repealed.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,

October 16th, 1856. *Chairman*

On motion of Mr. E. A. Newton, the Canon recommended was passed by this House. (See pp. 76, 182.)

They also presented the following;

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (See p. 70.) a proposed Canon of the "abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon," respectfully *report*, that, they have had the same under consideration and recommend its adoption, they therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon, to be entitled, "Canon of the abandonment of the Communion of the Church, by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon," be adopted.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,

October 16th, 1856. *Chairman.*

SECTION 1. If any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canons II. and V. of 1850, abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, and worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with this Church, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact, in case of a Bishop, to the presiding Bishop, in case of a Presbyter or Deacon, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Bishop or Minister himself. Notice shall then be given to the said Bishop or Minister, by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the ministry of this Church.

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Bishop or Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record in the presence of two or more Bishops in the case of a Bishop, or of two or more Presbyters in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon, that he has been so deposed.

Provided, nevertheless, that if the Bishop or Minister so renouncing, shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.

SECTION 2. Canons I. and II. of 1853 are hereby repealed.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

October 16th, 1856.

Also,

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (See p. 56.) an amendment of Canon II. of 1844, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend that the amendment be effected by the enactment of a new Canon on the subject, which shall omit the section proposed to be repealed, they therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

October 16th, 1856. (See pp. 70, 139.)

Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the Office of Diocesan Bishop.

SECTION 1. When a Diocese entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan, a Missionary Bishop of this Church; if such election shall have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter, the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

SECTION 2. If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz: The Standing Commitee of the Diocese electing, shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and a majority of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of each vacant Diocese, which notice shall state, what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit, to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected; and also, cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

SECTION 3. Canon III. of 1841, is hereby repealed.

Resolved. That this Canon be adopted. (See p. 139.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, on behalf of the Special Joint Committee to nominate, (See p. 51,) a Board of Missions made the following Report:

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Members for Three Years.

CLERGY.

Rev. N. B. Crocker, D. D., Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D. D., Rev. Christian Hanckell, D. D., Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D.,Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D., Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D., Rev. F. L. Hawks, D. D., LL. D., Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D. D., Rev. J. H. Morrison, Rev. T. C. Pitkin, Rev. S. L. Southard, Rev. A. C. Coxe, Rev. M. H. Henderson, D. D., Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rev. C.-P. Gadsden, Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, D. D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D. D., Rev. W. R. Nicholson, Rev. Benj. Watson, Rev. Alex. Burgess, Rev. N. E. Marble, D. D., Rev. Geo. B. Manser, D. D., Rev. J. S. Copley Greene, Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, Rev. Benj. I. Haight, D. D., Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rev. Andrew B. Patterson. D. D., Rev. Henry J. Morton, D. D., Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D. D., Rev. Charles Minnegerode, D. D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., Rev. James H. Elliott, Rev. G. H. Clark, Rev. Wm. W. Bours, Rev. Henry C. Lay, Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D. D., Rev. Chas. Gillette, Rev. Chas. Tomes, Rev. James Craik, D. D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D. D., Rev. J. C. Talbot, D. D., Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D. D., Rev. F. J. Clerc, Rev, Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. David Keene, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. Wm. H. Hill, Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D. D., Rev. Wm. S. Childs, Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, Rev. F. Vinton, D. D., Rev. Wm. H. Lewis, D. D., Rev. Samuel Buel, Rev. Robt. N. Merritt, Rev. Samuel Bowman, D. D., Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D. D., Rev. Wm. C. Williams, Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, Rev. Geo. D. Cummins, Rev. C. K. Nelson, Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D. D., Rev. W. A. Muhlenberg, D. D., Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham, Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D.

LAITY.

Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. E. F. Chambers, Mr. R. H. Gardiner, Mr. S. H. Huntington, Mr. C. G. Meminger, Mr. G. M. Wharton, Mr. R. B. Minturn, Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, Mr. T. H. Wright, M.D., Mr. S. J. Donaldson, Mr. James Bridge, Mr. Simeon Ide, Mr. Sylvester Demming, Mr. Robt. Mason, Mr. Alexander Duncan, Mr. Wm. T. Lee, Mr. J. H. Swift, Mr. Horatio Seymour, Mr. Richard W. Howell, Mr. John Bohlen, Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, Mr. James Potter, Mr. John D. Phelan, Mr. Geo. Whitfield, Mr. William C. Smedes, Mr. John L. Lobdell, Mr. C. B. Nichols, Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. A. H. Churchill, Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. Joseph M. Moore, Mr. John H. Kenzie, Mr. John A. Talbot, M.D., Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. J. A. Helfenstein, Mr. Geo. B. Sargent, Mr. Edw. Stanley, Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. B. T. Nichols, Mr. Bushrod Birch, Mr. J. C. Hollister, Mr. Henry McFarlan, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Joseph S. Colt, Mr.

Francis Wharton, Mr. Ch. C. Trowbridge, Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Stephen C. Cambreleng, Mr. Robt. H. Ives.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. DOANE,
Chairman Com. House of Bishops.

WM. BACON STEVENS,
Chairman Com. House, &c.

On Motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the nominations given in the report were confirmed on the part of the House. (See p. 114.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead moved that the request to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject presented in the Memorial from sundry persons in Burlington, N. J., preferred in report, (see p. 101,) be granted.

Mr. Williams offered a motion, that the whole subject be laid upon the table for the present, which motion was lost.

The question was then taken on the motion of Dr. Mead, for the discharge of the Committee, and decided in the affirmative.

The hour for "the Order of the Day" having arrived, the question before the House was, the amendment offered yesterday by the Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, to a resolution proposed by the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, recommending an alteration of the Third Article of the Constitution thereof.

Pending the discussion of this proposed amendment, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do not concur in the passage of the Canon (See p. 68,) entitled, "Of Episcopal Visitations," and sent to this House in Message No. 14, because the Canon under that title already provided, is deemed sufficient for securing the proper visitation of Parishes by the several Bishops.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Randall,

Resolved, That this House do insist on the Canon as originally transmitted from this House.

On Motion of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, *Ordered*, That a Committee of Conference be appointed on the part of this House upon the non-agreement of the two Houses on the above Canon. (See p. 114.)

The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Hawks and Hanckel, and Messrs. Chambers, Redfield, and Appleton.

The House resumed the consideration of the Order of the

Day. The question being, on Dr. A. H. Vinton's amendment to the resolution of the Committee of the General Theological Seminary, the Deputation from the Diocese of New York demanded a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

On the call of the roll, the vote stood as follows:

Clergy.—Dioceses represented, 31 AYES, 29. NAYS, 2,

Laity.—Dioceses represented, 25. AYES, 23. NAY, 1, DIVIDED, 1.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess; Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Edward Jessup, Rev. D. C. Weston.—*Aye.*

New Hampshire.—Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., Rev. Thomas Salter, Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Rev. Jno. A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. Josiah Swett, Rev. C. Bachelder.—*Aye.* Rev. George B. Manser, D.D.—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. Jno. Wayland, D. Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D., Rev. Wm. Horton.—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Dan'l Henshaw, Rev. Henry Waterman, R. George W. Hathaway, Rev. J. H. Eames.—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Robt A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn. *Aye.* Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D.—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wil[illegible]so D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D.—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. Andrew B. Patterson, D[illegible].D Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. Wm[illegible]. B Stevens, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bow[illegible]man, D.D.—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpe[illegible]nter, Rev. Geo. Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Rev. William E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Henry M. M[illegible]ason, D.D., Rev. Wm. Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough.—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton.—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson[illegible] Rev, J. B. Cheshire.—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, R[illegible]ev. P. J. Shand, Rev. C. P. Gadsden.—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Seneca G. Brag[illegible], Rev. Richard Johnson, Rev. William C. Williams.—*Aye.*

Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. W. Bours, Rev. W. J. Saunders.—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay, Rev. F. R. Hanson.—*Aye.* Rev. Geo. F. Cushman.—*Nay.*

Mississippi..—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. James A. Fox.—*Aye.* Rev. Benjamin Halsted.—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. Wm. T. Leacock, D.D., Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader.—*Aye.*

Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. Edward Fontaine.—*Aye.* Rev. E. H. Downing.—*Nay.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. William R. Nicholson—*Aye.*
Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. George H. McKnight, Rev. William G. Spencer—*Aye.*
Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D. Rev. Charles P. Clarke—*Aye.*
Michigan.—Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. George Willard, Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell—*Aye.* Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D.—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Rev. Edward W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. Jno. Ufford —*Aye.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner—*Aye.*
New Hampshire.—Mr. Justus D. Watson—*Aye.*
Vermont.—Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL.D., Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Mr. Timothy P. Redfield—*Aye.*
Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. Edward A. Newton—*Aye.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. George S. Wardwell—*Aye.*
Connecticut.—Mr. William F. Lee, Mr. William W. Boardman—*Aye.*
Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. George M. Stroud—*Aye.*
Delaware.—Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. G. Chandler—*Aye.*
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Morgan Nelson—*Aye.*
North Carolina.—Mr. Edw. Lee Winslow, Mr. W. H. Battle—*Aye.*
South Carolina.—Mr. Robert F. W. Allston, Mr. J. Pringle Smith—Mr. Charles Sinkler—*Aye.*
Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin—*Aye.*
Louisiana.—Mr. James Chambers—*Aye.*
Texas.—Mr. James Reily—*Aye.*
Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett—*Aye.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell—*Aye.*
Illinois.—Mr. R. P. Lane, Mr. Henry S. Jennings—*Aye.*
Michigan.—Mr. Henry P. Baldwin—*Aye.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edw. Y. Higbee, D.D. Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye.*
Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.*
Tennessee.—Rev. Chas Tomes, Rev. Jno. A. Harrison, Rev. Thomas W. Humes—*Nay.*
California.— Rev. Christ. B. Wyatt—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New York.—Mr. Floyd Smith—*Nay.*
Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont—*Nay.*
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall—*Nay.*
Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D —*Nay.* John H. Alexander, LL.D.—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New York.—Mr. Floyd Smith.—*Nay.*

DIVIDED.

Alabama.—Mr. A. W. Ellerbe.—*Aye.* Mr. J. M. Conley.—*Nay.*

So the amendment was adopted,

The question was then put on the resolution as amended. The call for a vote by Dioceses and Orders was renewed.

Clergy.—Dioceses represented, 31. AYES, 22. NAYS, 4. DIVIDED, 5.

Laity.—Dioceses represented, 25. AYES, 20. NAYS, 4. DIVIDED, 1.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Fred. Gardiner, Rev. Edward Jessup, Rev. D. C. Weston—*Aye.*

New Hampshire.—Rev. Chas. Burroughs, D.D., Rev. Thos. G. Salter, Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. Josiah Swett, Rev. C. R. Batchelder.—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., Rev. William Horton—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Danl. Henshaw, Rev. George W. Hathaway, Rev. J. H. Eames—*Aye.* Rev. Henry Waterman.—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn.—*Aye.* Rev. William Cooper Mead, D.D.—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. William B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. George Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., Rev. William Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough—*Aye.* Rev. William E. Wyatt, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. P. C. Gadsden—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. Richard Johnson, Rev. William C. Williams—*Aye.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. James A. Fox—*Aye.* Rev. Benjamin Halsted—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. William T. Leacock, D.D.—*Aye.*

Texas.—Rev. Charles Gillette, Rev. Edward Fontaine—*Aye.* Rev. E. H. Downing—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Edward F. Berkley—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. William R. Nicholson—*Aye.*
Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. George H. McKnight, Rev. William G. Spencer—*Aye.*
Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D. Rev. Charles P. Clarke—*Aye.*
Michigan.—Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. George Willard, Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell—*Aye.* Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D.—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Rev. Edward W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. Jno. Ufford —*Aye.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner—*Aye.*
New Hampshire.—Mr. Justus D. Watson—*Aye.*
Vermont.—Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL.D., Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Mr. Timothy P. Redfield—*Aye.*
Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. Edward A. Newton—*Aye.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. George S. Wardwell—*Aye.*
Connecticut.—Mr. William F. Lee, Mr. William W. Boardman—*Aye.*
Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. George M. Stroud—*Aye.*
Delaware.—Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. G. Chandler—*Aye.*
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Morgan Nelson—*Aye.*
North Carolina.—Mr. Edw. Lee Winslow, Mr. W. H. Battle—*Aye.*
South Carolina.—Mr. Robert F. W. Allston, Mr. J. Pringle Smith—Mr. Charles Sinkler—*Aye.*
Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin—*Aye.*
Louisiana.—Mr. James Chambers—*Aye.*
Texas.—Mr. James Reily—*Aye.*
Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett—*Aye.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell—*Aye.*
Illinois.—Mr. R. P. Lane, Mr. Henry S. Jennings—*Aye.*
Michigan.—Mr. Henry P. Baldwin—*Aye.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edw. Y. Higbee, D.D. Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye.*
Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.*
Tennessee.—Rev. Chas Tomes, Rev. Jno. A. Harrison, Rev. Thomas W. Humes—*Nay.*
California.— Rev. Christ. B. Wyatt—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New York.—Mr. Floyd Smith—*Nay.*
Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont—*Nay.*
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall—*Nay.*
Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D —*Nay.* John H. Alexander, LL.D.—*Aye.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY

New Jersey.—Rev. A. B. Patterson, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. A. A. Miller, Rev. W. T. Saunders—*Aye.* Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. W. W. Bours—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. F. R. Hanson—*Aye.* Rev. H. C. Lay, Rev. G. H. Cushman—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Rev. Robt. E. Terry, Rev. Wm. Norman Irish—*Aye.* Rev. Francis F. Clerc, Rev. George Estes—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Josiah Phelps—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Alabama.—Mr. A. W. Ellerbe—*Aye.* Mr. J. M. Conley—*Nay.*

So the resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Tomes,

Resolved, That a Committee of be appointed to unite with a Committee of the House of Bishops in the nomination of a competent person to make the typographical corrections in the Standard edition of the Holy Scriptures, as proposed in the report and resolutions from the Committee on the Standard edition of the Bible.

The blank, was on motion filled with "three," and the Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Tomes, Rev. Dr. Mead, and Mr. Josiah Collins. (See pp. 76, 147.)

The Rev. Mr. Berkley asked leave to withdraw the Report on the Theological Seminary for the purpose of appending names of Trustees nominated by certain Dioceses. The report of names was subsequently presented, as follows:

The Committee of the General Theological Seminary beg leave to report on the certificates of the nomination for Trustees of the same, as follows, to wit: that twenty-five certificates have been presented. Of this number:

1. That the Diocese of Maine is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. George Slattery, Rev. Roger S. Howard, R. H. Gardiner, Esq.

2. That the Diocese of New Hampshire is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., Joshua W. Pierce, Esq.

3. That the Diocese of Massachusetts is entitled to *eleven* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D. D., Rev. Theodore Edson, D. D., Rev. William S. Child, Rev. George M. Randall, D. D., Rev. Samuel B. Shaw, Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D. D., Rev. Theodore W. Snow, Rev. Charles Mason, Mr. Edward A. Newton, Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, Mr. William A. Crocker.

4. That the Diocese of Rhode Island is entitled to *four* Trustees, and

has nominated the Rev. N. B. Crocker, D. D., Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. Silas A. Crane, D. D., Alexander Duncan, Esq.

5. That the Diocese of Connecticut is entitled to *fifteen* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D., Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D. D., Rev. Stephen Jewett, Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, D. D., Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D. D., Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, D. D., Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, D. D., Rev. Giles H. Deshon, Rev. William F. Morgan, Rev. Edward Ballard, Rev. Junius Marshall Willey, Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, Rev. William White Bronson, Hon. Samuel H. Huntington, John Ferguson, Esq.

6. That the Diocese of New York is entitled to *fifty-nine* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Wm. Berrian, D.D., Rev. John McVickar, D.D., Rev. William Creighton, D.D., Rev. Henry Anthon, D.D., Rev. John F. Schroeder, D.D., Rev. John Brown, D.D., Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D.D., Rev. Samuel Seabury, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Robert W. Harris, D.D., Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, D.D., Rev. Edward N. Mead, Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Rev. Wm. L. Johnson, D.D., Rev. Joseph H. Price, D.D., Rev. William Walton, D.D., Rev. Richard Cox, Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, D.D., Rev. Albert D. Traver, Rev. A. Bloomer Hart, Rev. William Watson, Rev. George B. Andrews, Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D.D., LL. D., Rev. Samuel Buel, Rev. P. Teller Babbitt, Rev. Jesse A. Spencer, D.D., Rev. Joshua Weaver, Rev. Alfred B. Beach, Mr. Floyd Smith, Mr. William H. Harrison, LL. D., Mr. Guilan C. Verplanck, Mr. P. S. Van Rensselaer, Mr. James N. Wells, Mr. John A. Dix, Mr. Nathanael B. Holmes, Mr. H. Van Rensselaer, Mr. Isaac A. Johnson, Mr. Frederick J. Betts, Mr. Charles N. S. Rowland, Mr. John A. King, Mr. John R. Livingston, Mr. John W. Mitchell, Mr. Nathen B. Warren, Mr. Abel T. Anderson, Mr. Hamilton Fish, Mr Martin Lee, Mr. Clement C. Moore, Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. Jonathan Burnett, Mr. Cyrus Curtiss, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. Gerrit G. Van Wagenen, Mr. Robert W. Weir, Mr. Charles Davies, Mr. William H. Bell, Mr. Elias Butler, Mr. Abraham B. Sands, Mr. John Bard.

7. That the Diocese of Western New York is entitled to *twenty-one* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. William Shelton, D.D., Rev. Benjamin Hale, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey, D.D., Rev. Edward Ingersoll, D.D., Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, Rev. Charles H. Platt, Rev. Maunsell Van Rensselaer, Rev. Andrew Hull, Rev. Samuel L. Southard, Rev. William B. Ashley, Mr. Joseph Juliand, Mr. Thomas H. Hubbard, Mr. Thomas H. Rochester, Mr. George B. Webster, Mr. John E. Hinman, Mr. William C. Pierrepont, Mr. William A. Seaver, Mr. Horatio Seymour, Mr. William S. De Zeng.

8. That the Diocese of New Jersey is entitled to *twelve* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. James A. Williams, Rev. Albert Stubbs, D.D., Rev. George Y. Morehouse, Rev. Harry Finch, Rev. R. T. S. Lowell, Rev. M. H. Henderson, Mr. Joel. W. Condit, Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, Mr. Franklin Smith, Mr. E. B. D. Ogden, Mr. Thomas H. Whitney, Mr. Richard W. Howell.

9. That the Diocese of Pennsylvania is entitled to *thirty-one* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Levi Bull, D.D., Rev. H. H. Bean, Rev. E. Y. Buchanan, Rev. C. D. Cooper, Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D., Rev.

H. W. Ducachet, D.D., Rev. Kingston Goddard, Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. G. W. Natt, Rev. John Rodney, Rev. William Suddards, Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., Rev. R. S. Trapier, Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, Rev. G. Emlen Hare, D.D., Rev. H. J. Morton, D.D, Rev. W. H. Odenheimer, D.D., Mr. Horace Binney, Jr., Mr. Alexander Brown, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. A. L. Hays, Mr. Hopewell Hepburn, Mr. Thomas Robins, Mr. James S. Smith, Mr. Tobias Wagner, Mr. Benjamin Gerhard, Mr. George M. Stroud, Mr. John W. Kester, Mr. John R. Wilmer, Mr. George L. Harrison, Mr. Edward Olmsted.

10. That the Diocese of Delaware is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp, Mr. E. G. Bradford.

11. That the Diocese of Maryland is entitled to *twenty* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Joseph Spencer, D.D., Rev. John Wiley, Rev. Robt. Lloyd Goldsborough, Rev. H. M. Mason, D.D., Rev. S. C. Kerr, Rev. Thos. J. Wyatt, Rev. S. R. Gordon, Rev. John Owen, Rev. C. K. Nelson, Rev. James H. Morrison, Rev. Meyer Lewin, Rev. Russell Trevett, Mr. E. F. Chambers, Mr. J. B. Eccleson, Mr. Thomas S. Alexander, Mr. Hugh D. Evans, Mr. John G. Chapman, Mr. Henry Chamberlain, Mr. Sumuel J. Donaldson.

12. That the Diocese of North Carolina is entitled to *eight* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. R. S. Mason. D.D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D., Rev. Albert Smedes, D.D., Rev. E. M. Forbes, Mr. Thomas Ruffin, Mr. George Mordecai, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. A. J. De Rositt, Jr.

13. That the Diocese of South Carolina is entitled to *eighteen* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. J. R. Walker, D.D., Rev. A. Glennie, Rev. W. H. Barnwell, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. E. Reed, Rev. J. B. Campbell, Mr. N. R. Middleton, Mr. R. W. Barnwell, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, B. Huger, M.D., Mr. W. E. Martin.

Also, the following additional Trustees, provided that number be allowed by the General Convention, viz:—Rev. Wm. Dehon, Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Mr. Charles Sinkler, Mr. J. J. P. Smith.

14. That the Diocese of Georgia is entitled to *three* Trustees, and having made no nominations, the Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, the only surviving Trustee, will remain in office until his successor is appointed.

15. That the Diocese of Florida is entitled to *one* Trustee, and has nominated the Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D.

16. That the Diocese of Alabama is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. F. B. Lee, Mr. M. J. Conley, Mr. A. W. Ellerbe, (one vacancy.)

17. That the Diocese of Mississippi is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. W. W. Lord, Rev. Isaac Pardee, Mr. George S. Yerger, (leaving one vacancy.)

18. That the Diocese of Louisiana is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. W. E. Phillips, Rev. John Philson, Mr. James R. Chambers, Mr. J. P. Davidson.

19. That the Diocese of Texas is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. B. Eaton, Rev. C. Gillette.

20. That the Diocese of Kentucky is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Edward F. Berkley, Rev. John N. Norton, Rev. Robert McMurdy.

21. That the Diocese of Ohio is entitled to *nine* Trustees, but having made no nominations the present Trustees, the Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., the Rev. E. Burr, D.D., Mr. R. K. Este, Mr. O. T. Reeves, Mr. C. Delano, and Mr. M. Mitchell, will remain in office until their successors are appointed. (Three vacancies.)

22. That the Diocese of Indiana is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Walter E. Franklin, Rev. John M. Goshorn, Rev. James W. Stewart.

23. That the Diocese of Illinois is entitled to *six* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Dr. Giddinge, Rev. C. Dresser, Rev. J. W. Cracraft, Rev. C. P. Clark, Mr. E. Moore, Mr. John Rogers.

24. That the Diocese of Missouri is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Mr. Robert N. Smith.

25. That the Diocese of Michigan is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. F. H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Daniel P. Grinnell, Mr. C. C. Trowbridge, Mr. H. P. Baldwin.

26. That the Diocese of Wisconsin is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Dr. Adams, Rev. Dr. Cole.

27. That the Diocese of Iowa is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Alfred Louderback, Hon. Edward Johnston.

28. That the Diocese of Virginia has made no nominations and so far as is known to the Committee, has never elected Trustees.

The Committee, therefore, propose the following Resolution:

Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, that the above nominations by the several Dioceses, of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, made in conformity to the provisions of Canon I. of 1847, be confirmed. By order of the Committee.

W. E. WYATT,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. E. A. Newton, the nominations of the Dioceses, as reported, were confirmed.

Mr. E. A. Newton moved that the attestation of the Secretary to the Journal of the Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee for 1856, wherein it is recorded, that certain persons were duly nominated as Trustees from that Diocese in the absence of a special Certificate, be received as adequate evidence.

The Rev. Dr. Mead moved to lay the resolution on the table, but the motion did not prevail.

The question was then taken on the resolution offered by Mr. E. A. Newton, and it was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. E. F. Berkley, the second resolution of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, providing for alterations in the Constitution of the same, was adopted. (See p. 78.)

Mr. E. A. Newton then moved the adoption of the third

resolution, recommended by the Committee aforesaid, and it was lost. (See p. 78.)

The Order of the Day being the proposed Canon, "Of the trial of Bishops," was now called up. Pending the reading and explanation of the Canon, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference on the part of this House be appointed to confer, in relation to the Canon, "Of Episcopal Visitations," with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. See pp. 105, 126.

Bishops Hopkins, Otey, and Lee, were appointed the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, *Ordered*, that the consideration of the Canon "Of the Trial of Bishops," be made the order of the day, to-morrow morning, immediately after the transaction of the routine business at the commencement of the day's session. (See pp. 89, 118.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: *Resolved*. That this House concur in the election of the Board of Missions, for the ensuing three years, as made by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY'S SESSION—FRIDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, October 17th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. C. B. Wyatt, a Deputy from the Diocese of California, assisted by the Rev. Edw. F. Berkley, a Deputy from the Diocese of Kentucky.

The minutes of yesterday's proceeedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, made the following report:

October 17th, 1856.

The Committee on Elections report, that leave of absence has been asked by Rev. Wm. Bours of Florida, Mr. Boardman of Connecticut, after to-day; and by Mr. M. Hoffman of New York, and the Rev. R. D. Brooke of Iowa, after to-morrow evening. Each of these applicants leaves a sufficient representation of his Diocese in the Convention.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that leave of absence be granted. By order of Committee.

M. MAHAN.

The Chair put the question on granting leave of absence, and leave was accordingly given.

Mr. Hoffman, for the Committee on Canons, presented the following report:

The Committee on Canons to whom it was referred (see p. 56,) to consider and report on the propriety of striking out from Art. IX. of the Constitution the words, "proposed in one," and insert "agreed to by a majority in one," respectfully report, that they have assumed it to be inexpedient to propose any alterations in the Constitution, unless to effect some substantial change in the organization. That the object of the proposition, if intended to remove a supposed ambiguity in the existing article, is unnecessary, and, by probably involving a conclusion of importance, would be inadvisable. That by the present article, as the Committee understand it, a proposition to amend must receive the vote of a majority of members, who can refuse to permit it to be made known to the Diocesan Conventions, but this majority may be of a quorum of members merely. This the Committee understand to be the settled practical construction of the Article.

The change suggested, might, however, in connection with the prior clause be construed to require the majority of Dioceses which have adopted the Constitution shall concur in the first proposal.

This, the Committee think, would be contrary to the intention of the framers of the Article, contrary to established construction, and not expedient of itself. They understand the Article to require no more for the adoption of the proposal, and its communication to the Diocesan Conventions than a majority of members as before stated, and that the alteration can only be ultimately effected by a vote in the General Convention of a majority of the Dioceses which have adopted the Constitution, and that no majority of Dioceses which falls short of this, can accomplish an alteration. The Committee therefore report, that in their judgment the proposed alteration is unnecessary and inexpedient, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

On motion of Mr. Hoffman the request was granted, and the Committee accordingly discharged.

Mr. Hoffman, for the same Committee, presented also the following report:

The Committee on canons have had referred to them the following resolutions:

1st. That the Committee on Canons be requested to report to this House what alterations, if any, are necessary in Canon XLV. of 1832, in order to give greater liberty to the Clergy in the ministration of Divine service, and greater efficiency to the practical working of our Church. (See p. 33.)

2d. That the following be adopted as a substitute for Canon XLV. of 1832, § 1. Morning Prayer, the Litany, the Communion Service, and Evening Prayer are hereby declared four distinct services.

§ 3. They shall all be used at least once in each month, in all Parishes.

§ 4. Three of them, in the discretion of the Minister, shall be used every Sunday where two services are held.

§ 5. The Minister, at his discretion may select any portion of the Psalter, to be used instead of the Psalms for the day. (See p. 51.)

The Committee have felt the gravity and importance of these resolutions and of the subject to which they relate. It is not merely the question as to the expediency or inexpediency of these suggestions becoming the recognized rule of the Church. It is the serious and momentous question whether they, or anything similar to them, can be Constitutionally adopted. The sacred trust of the conservation of the Prayer Book without addition thereto or diminution thereof has been consigned to the General Convention. It was given to the Church, after a struggle which called for the exercise of all the piety, the wisdom, the forbearance, and charity of our fathers in the faith. Communicated under such influences and solemnly consecrated to the use of the Church, it was guarded with every care that sagacity could devise to make it stable and enduring. It has wrought mighty things in our country, and so fixed itself in the heart of the mass of Churchmen, that the very approach to an alteration, strikes them with a shudder of alarm. All that was adopted in 1789, as constituting the Book of Common Prayer, including the rubrics, became the unalterable law until revised in the manner presented in the 8th Article of the Constitution. We are well aware how difficult it would be to define the line to which the imperative law extends, and where the wholesome liberty of Bishops and Clergy commences; and this teaches us that the best wisdom would be to leave such questions for the caution and gravity of judicial decision, as they arise, or to concurrent acts of legislation in the mode presented by the Constitution.

The Committee are not aware of any changes proposed since 1789, excepting in the year 1826, when the House of Bishops proposed various alterations respecting the Liturgy and the use of the Ante-Communion office and submitted the preamble and resolutions to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The subject of the Canon has also received the attention of the Committee.

That Canon may be regarded as an evidence of an anxiety to keep before the Church the great principle enunciated in the Constitution. The object of its framers may have been to place it in that portion of the Church law, to which resort is most usually made for the government of its members.

The necessity for its original passage is, however, a question to be determined by very different considerations from those which apply to the question of its repeal. Such repeal might at this time be regarded with great alarm, it might excite the apprehension of that numerous and growing class of Churchmen who reverence the Book of Common Prayer in all its fullness, as the guardian of faith; the depository of the love and affections of our fathers, by whose counsels we have been kept in union and harmony; as the exponent of the Catholic Church of which we are a portion; and as the pioneer as well as companion of that Church in her advances upon the dominion of paganism and infidelity,

Such reasons influence this Committee against any modification of the Canon at the present time, as well as its repeal; and they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject referred.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

On motion of Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, the Committee were discharged.

Mr. Henry S. Jennings offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the expediency of adding the two following sections to the Canon "Of Episcopal Residence," or of reporting a new Canon, embodying the principle of these sections.

SECTION 2. It is hereby declared, that the term "residence" in this Canon is defined to be the domicil of himself and family.

SECTION 3. No Bishop shall be allowed to delay his removal into, and his residence in his Diocese, for a longer time than six months from the day of his consecration.

The resolution was adopted. (See p. 123.)

Mr. H. D. Evans offered the following amendment of the fifth Article of the Constitution, which, on his motion, was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow at eleven o'clock, A. M.:— (See p. 127.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the fifth Article of the same the following Article:—

ARTICLE V. A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof not now represented, may at any time hereafter be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses may be admitted under the following restrictions:—

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each Diocese concerned, as well as of the General Convention, nor shall any city form more than one Diocese.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever a division of a Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof.

And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same shall be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Andrews,

Resolved, That this House will take a recess from three o'clock till seven o'clock, P. M.

The Rev. Mr. Nicholson offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Canon IX. of 1853 be and is hereby repealed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day (the hour for which had now arrived) be postponed until the resolution just submitted be disposed of. (See p. 119.)

On motion of Mr. Battle,

Resolved, That the same be laid upon the table.

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel, for the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report:—(See Appendix. A.)

On motion of Dr. Hanckel, the resolution at the close of the Report was adopted as follows:—

Resolved, That the view of the Church herewith presented, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, soliciting their prayers and blessing, and requesting that they will draw up and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.

CH. HANCKEL,
October 17th, 1856. *Chairman of Committee.*

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton asked to be excused from serving on the Committee of Supervision of the proposed corrections of typographical errors in the Standard Edition of the Holy Bible. (See p. 80.) His request was granted, and the Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Howe in his stead.

The following resolution was presented by the Rev. Dr. Stevens:—

Resolved, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Clergymen, and three Laymen be appointed to sit during the recess of this Convention, to take into consideration and provide for the government of the Church in the Missionary jurisdiction of the Foreign Missionary Bishops of this Church, and report thereon at the next Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton called attention to the fact, that a Joint Committee on the Foreign Missionary work of the Church was appointed at the last General Convention, which has not yet reported, and moved that the resolution before the House be laid on the table for the present.

The Chair put the question, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, *Ordered*, That when the Order of the Day—being the Canon "for the Trial of a Bishop," shall have been disposed of, the proposed

Canon "Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest or Deacon," be taken up for consideration. (See p. 121.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bowman, *Ordered*, That in the further debates of this House, no member be permitted to speak more than ten minutes.

The "Order of the Day" then came up in course. (See pp. 114, 120.)

On motion of Mr. A. H. Churchill, *Ordered*, that the proposed Canon be considered by sections and paragraphs in their order.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the first section was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Trapier, the second section was amended, by striking out the particle "and," and inserting "or" in the phrase "moral and religious character."

The Rev. Dr. Burr moved to amend the second section, by striking out the words, "acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may select,"—which motion was lost.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the section as amended was adopted.

On motion of the same, the third section was adopted.

Of the fourth section, the first, second and third paragraphs were in turn adopted on motion of the same.

The question being upon the adoption of the fourth paragraph, Mr. Battle moved to amend, by adding at the close thereof the words, "And such other testimony as they may think necessary, with the consent of the Judge Advocate." The Chair put the question on this proposed amendment, and it was decided in the negative. The paragraph as presented by the Committee was then adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the fifth paragraph was adopted.

A motion was made by the same, that the sixth paragraph be adopted.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has appointed Bishop Polk on the Committee of Conference (see p. 114.) in relation to the Canon "Of Episcopal Visitations," in place of Bishop Hopkins, who asked to be excused from serving on the Committee.

of the Diocese; but the General Convention may constitute a Court of Appeals for the revision of the decision of Diocesan Courts; such Courts of Appeal not to revise the determination of any question of facts.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon,

By Order of the Committee,
WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

Mr. Evans moved, but subsequently withdrew, the following amendment after the words, "Constitute a Court," strike out and insert as follows: A Court to revise the decision of the Diocesan Courts, so far as they may relate to doctrinal questions, or the interpretation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.

Mr. J. Pringle Smith renewed the motion which Mr. Evans had withdrawn.

The Chair put the question upon its adoption, and it was decided in the negative.

The Rev. Mr. Weston made a motion that to the Article as proposed by the Committee on Canons, there be added to the first paragraph the words, "or of evidence." The vote of the House being taken thereon, Mr. Weston's proposed amendment was lost.

The question was then taken on the adoption of Article VI. as reported by the Committee and decided in the affirmative. (See pp. 101, 136,

On motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DAY'S SESSION—SATURDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Festival of St. Luke the Evangelist, October 18th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Charles Gillette, a Deputy from the Diocese of Texas, assisted by the Rev. Wm. Horton, a Deputy from the Diocese of Massachusetts. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Right Rev. The Bishop of Western New York.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, made the following report:—

October 15th, 1856.

The Committee on Elections report, that Mr. Henry S. Jennings, of Illinois, desires leave of absence on and after Monday, being called away by business engagements which will not admit of being disregarded; also, the Rev. Wm. G. Spencer, of Indiana, from and after to-day; also, Mr. Timothy P. Redfield, of Vermont; in the last two cases the Dioceses concerned, are left with a sufficient representation.

The Committee also report, that Rev. H. B. Whipple, of Western New York, has been duly appointed substitute for Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Clerical Deputy of the same Diocese.

By order of Committee.

M. MAHAN.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mahan:—

Resolved, That leave of absence be and is hereby granted to the applicants named in the Report.

The Secretary called the name of the Rev. H. B. Whipple, and he appeared and took his seat.

Mr. Murray Hoffman, for the Committee on Canons, presented the following report:—

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the consideration of the expediency of reporting additional sections, or a new Canon in relation to the Canon of "Episcopal Residence," (See p. 117,) respectfully report:

That in their opinion, the additional Canon suggested or any further legislation upon the subject, is unnecessary;—That the Canon heretofore passed by this House has, under the third Article of the Constitution, become the binding law of the Church, and is as imperative and obligatory as any Canon now in force;—That in the judgment of this Committee, its language is too explicit to require explanation or admit of cavil. In declaring the duty of personal and actual residence of a Bishop within his Diocese, the Convention has but repeated the ancient law of the Church, recognized and reiterated in numerous Canons. In one of our mother Church, it was declared, "Although Bishops know themselves bound as well by Divine as Ecclesiastical precepts to personal residence with the flock of God, committed to their care, yet because there are some who do not seem to attend thereunto, therefore, we earnestly exhort and admonish them in virtue of their Holy obedience, that out of care of their flock and solace of the Churches, they be duly present, especially on solemn days, unless their absence shall be required."—(*Const. of Othobon*, Section 118.)

The Committee consider, that in the declaratory law, contained in the Canon already passed, the Convention has done all which was necessary to render a Bishop amenable to discipline in case of neglect; and upon a presentment, the regular tribunal for his trial will judge of the validity of any excuse he may allege.

The Committee, therefore, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee.

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee were accordingly discharged.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, from the Joint Committee of Conference, on the time of adjournment "*sine die*," (See p. 120,) reported as follows:—

The Committee of Conference of the two Houses on the disagreement upon the time for the final adjournment of this Convention, respectfully report—That it be recommended to the two Houses to fix the time for the final adjournment of this Convention on Tuesday evening, October the 21st, and offer the following resolution on the subject, for adoption by both Houses:—

Resolved, That this Convention adjourn on Tuesday evening, the 21st October, *sine die*.

By order of the Committee of Conference.

(Signed,) LEONIDAS POLK,
Chair'n Com. House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chair'n Com. House of Cler. and Lay Dep's.

October 18th, 1856.

On motion of Dr. Mead, the above resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens presented the following:

The Committee to whom the consideration of the whole subject of the Foreign Missionary work of the Church was referred at the last General Convention, (See p. 118,) with instructions to confer and consult with the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, and to sit in the recess of the Convention, respectfully report, that they have made progress in the work entrusted to them, and ask to be continued with a view to its future progress and completion.

Signed, GEO. W. DOANE,
Chair'n Com. House of Bishops.

WM. BACON STEVENS,
Chair'n Com. House of Cler. and Lay. Dep's.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, the name of the Rev. Dr. Hawks was substituted on this Committee for that of the Rev. Dr. A. C. Coxe, who is not a member of the present General Convention.

On motion, the request to be continued, contained in the above report of the Committee, was granted.

Mr. H. S. Jennings offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That in the subsequent debates in this House, no member be allowed to speak more than once on any one question, or more than ten minutes at any one time, without the consent of the House.

Mr. Collins moved to amend, by striking out the words "more than once on any one question, or."

The House adopted the amendment.

The question was then taken on the resolution as amended, and it was passed.

The Rev. Dr. C. M. Butler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a special Joint Committee be appointed to take into consideration the expediency and practicability of making an arrangement with the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, by which it shall be changed from a General to a Diocesan institution, on such terms as shall be equitable to all parties, or that it may be made an University for the reception of Graduates from Diocesan Seminaries, changing Scholarships into Fellowships, and with power to give Ecclesiastical Degrees.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House concur in the appointment of a Joint Committee to prepare a Digest of the Canons of the Church, (See p. 74.) as requested by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, transmitted in Message No. 16.

Committee on the part of this House, Bishop Hopkins and Bishop De Lancey.

On motion of Mr. E. A. Newton, *Ordered*, That the above resolution respecting the General Theological Seminary be for the present laid upon the table. (See p. 136.)

Mr. H. D. Evans presented the following draft of a Canon "Of a Council of Conciliation," which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See pp. 60, 130.)

SECTION 1. Whenever any difference shall arise between any two Bishops of this Church having jurisdiction respecting their relative rights and duties, or between any such Bishop and the Convention of his Diocese or any Parish under his jurisdiction, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who is not interested in the matter, for a Council of Conciliation.

SECTION 2. The Council shall be composed of three Bishops, two Clerical and two Lay members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be selected by lot, to whom may be added as members, two communicants of the Church of any Order, one of whom may be named by each of the parties to the dispute.

SECTION 3. In order to the selection of those members who are to be drawn by lot, the Bishop called upon for the Council, shall proceed to draw by lot the names of three Dioceses from a vessel containing the names of the seven Dioceses having Bishops entitled to sit in the House of Bishops, whose residences are nearest to the place where the controversy arose, and the Bishops, or Provisional Bishops of these Dioceses, or if the Diocesan Bishop of any one of them be disabled by age or infirmity, his Assistant Bishop, shall be the three Episcopal members of the Council. The names of the Clerical Deputies of the other four

Dioceses shall then be placed in one vessel and those of the Lay Deputies in another, and two of each drawn, who, with the Bishops and the nominees of the parties shall constitute the Council.

SECTION 4. The Council shall meet at a time and place to be appointed by the Bishop who has drawn the lots, of which it shall be his duty to give notice to all persons concerned.

SECTION 5. The Council, when assembled, shall endeavor to reconcile the conflicting views of the parties, and may, if they think proper, prepare a scheme, according to which, in their judgment, the questions in dispute ought to be settled, and communicate such scheme in writing under the hands of those of them who approve of it to all persons interested.

On motion of Mr. M. Hoffman, the Committee on Canons had leave to retire for its consideration. (See pp. 60, 130.)

The Rev. Dr. Hawks, from the Joint Committee of Conference on the non-concurrence of the two Houses on a proposed Canon, entitled "Of Episcopal Visitations," reported a Canon with that title, on which the Committee had agreed, (See pp. 114 129.) as follows:

SECTION 1. Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the churches within his Diocese at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behaviour of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of confirmation, ministering the word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge.

And if a Bishop shall decline for more than three years to visit a Parish or Congregation for reasons, which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall be the duty of the Rector or Minister, and Vestry, or of one of them, to apply to the Presiding Bishop to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be situated, to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation above-named may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in any such case as is above named, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation is, may at any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop for a Council of Conciliation.

Provided, That by the action of the General Convention any Canon which shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a Council of Conciliation for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind, than such a case as is above named, shall be referred to such General Council of Conciliation and the parties shall abide by its decision.

SECTION 2. To enable the Bishop who may be Rector of a Church to make his official visitations, it shall be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

SECTION 3. It is left to each Diocese to make provision in such way as it may deem proper for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's Visitations.

SECTION. 4. The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

SECTION 5. Canon IV. of 1850 is hereby repealed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the report was adopted, and the Canon passed by this House.

The Rev. Wm. Horton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn to-day at one o'clock, P. M.

Which was adopted.

The "Order of the Day," being the proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution was now called up. (See p. 117)

The Rev. Dr. Craik, offered the following:

Proposed Amendment to Article V. of the Constitution.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Article V. of the Constitution be amended, as follows:—To the present Article add: Any portion of any organized Diocese, may be set apart by the General Convention, as a separate Missionary Territory, and placed under the jurisdiction of a Missionary Bishop: *Provided*, That the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Convention thereof shall request such partition of the Diocese.

And such Missionary Territory may be organized as a Diocese and admitted into union with this Convention, when it shall contain the number of self-supporting parishes and of Presbyters required for the formation of a new Diocese, by the third clause of this article of the Constitution, and not before.

Pending the consideration thereof, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in fixing Tuesday evening, the 21st instant, as the time of adjournment of General Convention. (See p. 124.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Cuming, *Ordered*, That the proposed amendments of Article V. of the Constitution be laid on the table for the present. (See p. 135.)

Mr. Alexis J. Dupont proposed the following amendment of Canon XIII. of 1853, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on Canons.

CANON.

"Of the Removal of Communicants and others from one parish to another."

SECTION 1. On the removal of Communicants from one parish to another, it shall be the duty of the Rector (if any) of the parish from which such removal takes place, or if there be no Rector, of one of the Wardens, to furnish such person a certificate, stating that he or

as a communicant in good standing, and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter be produced.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Rector of a Parish on the removal of any person or persons who have attended the services of the Church or been otherwise dependent on his ministrations, to any distant point, to notify the Clergyman residing nearest to the place of destination of the party or parties of the fact.

If there be no Rector, this duty shall devolve on one of the Wardens of the Parish from which such removal takes place.

Section 3. Clergymen receiving letters announcing the removal of persons who have been, in any manner, connected with the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall use all diligence to supply their spiritual wants, thereby preventing any ultimate loss to the Church, provided such Clergymen shall have ascertained that letters purporting to have been written by the Wardens of any Parish are genuine. (See p. 132.)

Mr. Dupont, also, offered the following resolution,

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Church, report at the next meeting of the General Convention the number of Baptized Members of the Church, and in order to obtain the necessary data, that this resolution be transmitted to the Diocesan Conventions of the different Dioceses, that the proper enrollments may be made throughout their respective Parishes.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Denison, *Ordered*, that this resolution be laid on the table.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Claxton,

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be requested to prepare a form under which the Tabular View of the State of the Church in the several Dioceses, called for by Section 5 of Canon XII. of 1853, may be compiled; and that twelve months before every regular session of the General Convention, there be transmitted a copy of such form to every Bishop of this Church, to the President of the Standing Committee in each Diocese, and to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention, that attention may be thus called to the Canon referred to.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Ordered, that the Treasurer be directed to pay the contingent expenses of this Convention, on the order of the Secretary of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following resolution:

Ordered, that 4000 copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed, that 300 copies of the Journal be reserved in the keeping of the Secretary, and that two copies be transmitted by him to every Clergyman of the Church having a Parochial charge, one copy to every other Clergyman of the Church, one copy to each Lay Member of this Convention, and one copy to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention and to the Secretary of the Standing Committee

of each Diocese, and to each Bishop in communion with this Church.

Mr. Collins moved to amend by directing that two copies be sent to the Lay Members of this Convention.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. G. M. Stroud, the resolution was further amended by adding to it the words, "and that the Secretary be authorized to cause the Journal of this Convention to be stereotyped."

The Rev. Dr. Bowman proposed again to amend, by instructing the Secretary, should he find it expedient to have the Journal stereotyped, to provide some safe place for the keeping of the stereotype plates.

This amendment also was approved.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution, to wit: *Resolved*, that this House pass the Canon of "Episcopal Visitations," as recommended by the Joint Committee of Conference. (See p. 126.)

The question then coming up on the passage of the resolution as amended, respecting the printing and distribution of the Journal;—

Mr. H. P. Baldwin moved that the resolution be still further amended by striking out "4000," and inserting 5000. A vote was taken thereon and the amendment was adopted.

On motion the whole resolution as amended was passed.

On motion of Mr. D. H. Conrad,

Ordered, That the Secretary be and he is hereby authorized to allow the publisher of the Journal to strike off any number of copies over 5000 at his own expense, for sale.

On motion of the Rev. Paul Trapier,

Resolved, That the Secretary be appointed a Committee to confer with Publishers about issuing a stereotype edition of all the Journals of this Convention at the expense and for the profit of said Publishers, and under the supervision of the Secretary, and with power to the Secretary to act in the premises.

The Rev. W. W. Lord, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Canon VIII. of 1853, be amended by adding to the second Section the words, "And the Bishop shall not dispense with any of the foregoing examinations."

On motion of the Rev. C. P. Gadsden, the resolution was laid upon the table.

The Rev. Mr. Phelps offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be directed to publish in the Journals of this Convention the recommendation of the House of Bishops in relation to the proper postures to be used in the Communion Service, and also that the House of Bishops be requested to recommend the proper postures to be observed by the Laity in the Baptismal Service, which recommendation, if obtained, shall also be published in the Journals of this Convention.

On motion of Mr. J. Pringle Smith,

Ordered, That the above resolution be laid upon the table.

The Committee on Canons, through the Rev. Dr. Mead, reported as follows:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (See p. 125,) a Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation," respectfully report, that they have had the same under consideration, and report the following for adoption by this House:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted, to be entitled, "Canon O. of Councils of Conciliation:"

SECTION 1. Whenever any difference shall arise between any two Bishops of this Church having jurisdiction, respecting their relative rights and duties, or between any such Bishop and the Convention of his Diocese, or any Parish under his jurisdiction, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who is not interested in the matter, for a Council of Conciliation.

SECTION 2. The Council shall be composed of three Bishops, one Clerical and one Lay Member, of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be selected by lot, to whom may be added as members, two male Communicants of the Church of any order, one of whom may be named by each of the parties to the dispute.

SECTION. 3. In order to the selection of those members who are to be drawn by lot, the Bishop called upon for the Council shall proceed to draw by lot, the names of three Dioceses from a vessel containing the names of the five Dioceses having Bishops entitled to sit in the House of Bishops, whose residences are nearest the place where the controversy arose; and the Bishop or Provisional Bishop of those Dioceses, or if the Diocesan Bishop of any one of them be disabled by age or infirmity, his Assistant Bishop shall be the three Episcopal members of the Council. The names of the Clerical Deputies of the last General Convention, of the other two Dioceses shall then be placed in one vessel and those of the Lay Deputies in another, and one of each drawn, who with the Bishops, and the nominees of the parties, shall constitute the Council.

SECTION 4. The Council shall meet at a time and place to be appointed by the Bishop who has drawn the lots, of which it shall be his duty to give notice to all persons concerned.

SECTION 5. The Council when assembled shall endeavour to reconcile on Christian principles, the conflicting views of the parties, and may, if

they think proper, prepare a scheme, according to which, in their judgment, the question in dispute ought to be settled, and communicate such scheme in writing, under the hands of those of them who approve of it, to all persons interested.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

Who also moved that it be made the "Order of the Day" for Monday, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The Chair put the question upon deferring the subject until Monday, and it was decided in the negative.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Burroughs,

The Canon reported by the Committee was passed. (See p. 135.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead presented, also, the following report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution to consider the propriety of so altering Section 4 of Canon X. of 1853, as to give a Missionary Bishop the privilege of choosing whether he will be the Diocesan of any Diocese that may be organized out of or within the limits of his original jurisdiction, (See p. 61.) respectfully report, that the alteration proposed is inexpedient, forasmuch as it would conflict with the provisions of Article IV. of the Constitution, which declares that the Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules, as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese.

The Committee ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

October 18th, 1856.

On motion of the same the Committee were accordingly discharged.

On motion the House adjourned.

SEVENTEENTH DAY'S SESSION—MONDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 20th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Howe, a Deputy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and Secretary of the House, assisted by the Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D., also a Deputy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and approved.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows,

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Canon passed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, entitled, "Of Expenses of General Conventions," and sent to this House, in Message No. 18, be amended, by substituting, "on or before September 1st preceding the Sessions of the General Convention," in place of the words, "at or before any meeting of the General Convention," and that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies be requested to concur in passing the Canon as amended.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That this House concur, and pass the Canon as amended.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, made the following report,

The Committee on Elections report that the Honorable Frederic W. Hubbard has been duly appointed substitute for Hon. Washington Hunt, Lay Deputy for the Diocese of Western New York.

Mr. Wm. T. Lee of Connecticut desires leave of absence for the rest of the Session, on account of sickness in his family.

By order of the Committee,

October 20th, 1856. M. MAHAN.

Leave of absence was accordingly granted to Mr. Lee.

Mr. F. W. Hubbard, on the call of his name, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, made the following report,

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Canon, "Of removal of Communicants and others from one Parish to another," (See p. 127,) respectfully report, that they have had the matter under consideration, and that they think that Canon XIII. of 1853, is all that is necessary, and therefore they deem it inexpedient to legislate any further on the subject, and ask to be discharged.

By order of the Committee,

October 20th, 1856. (Signed) WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Committee were discharged.

The Rev. Dr. Proal, from the Committee on Expenses, submitted the following:

"The Chairman of the Committee on Expenses has been instructed to report the *projet* of a Canon entitled 'Of the Expenses of Ecclesiastical Trials," which is herewith presented.

"SECTION 1. In all Ecclesiastical Trials, under the Canons of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Assessors to make out a bill of cost of the necessary expenses attending such trial, and including the fees of the Assessors, and shall lay the same before the Court for approval, which approval shall be certified by the presiding officer.

"SECTION 2. The Church Advocate shall transmit to the Treasurer of the General Convention a certified copy of the bill of costs, who shall thereupon apportion the same among the several Dioceses in the same proportion as other expenses are assessed by Canon, and shall

transmit to the Treasurer of each Diocesan Convention, notice of the amount assessed upon such Diocese with a request for its early transmission to him."

Having thus obeyed the instructions of the Committee, the undersigned would express—in a minority report—his dissent from the measure, for the following reasons, viz.:—

He is opposed to the measure, and will vote against it; because in his judgment,

1st. It is inexpedient to facilitate the prosecution of these trials, or to present any incentive to them, as there might be, if a prospect of remuneration were held out for any services rendered in them.

2d. Again, the burden of such offices as are provided for by the Canon constituting these Courts, cannot prove great upon the lay members of the Church, as there is little probability of any person being called upon to render such service more than once or twice in a life-time.

3d. Finally, an insuperable objection to the enactment of any such Canon is found in the fact that the General Convention has no fund upon which to rely for the pecuniary means to meet such expense. The expenses of this body have already increased beyond all precedent, and are now nearly threefold what they were a few years since. The consequent necessary increase of the quota of each Diocese, for this purpose, is believed to be even now burdensome on some portions of the Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

P. ALEXIS PROAL, *Chairman*, &c.

On motion of Mr. Floyd Smith, *Ordered*, That the proposed Canon "of Expenses of Ecclesiastical Trials" be laid on the Table.

Mr. D. H. Conrad offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That from and after 12 M., on this day, any new reference to the Committee on Canons, originating in this House, be laid over for consideration to the next General Convention.

The Chair put the question upon the adoption of this resolution, and it was lost.

On motion of Mr. Josiah Collins,

Resolved, That the regulation adopted on Saturday, by which speakers are restricted to ten minutes in their addresses to this House, upon the subjects of debate which may arise, be, and is hereby rescinded.

The Rev. Dr. Manser offered the following resolution,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the expediency of reporting a Canon or other declarative act, which shall specify when Canons, enacted at any General Convention, shall take effect.

Which, on motion was laid on the table for the present.

The Rev. Mr. Peet made the following motion,

Resolved, That this House respectfully submit to the House of Bishops, the expediency of restoring the Preface in the Confirmation Service to its original place in the Rubrics of the Prayer Book, or the substitution in its place of such an address as may accord with the present wants of the Church.

Mr. Josiah Collins moved its reference to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks,

Ordered, That the whole subject be laid on the Table.

The Rev. Dr. Mead called up the Report of the Committee on Canons, made on the Seventh Day of the Session, (See p. 46.) wherein they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject of the passage of a Canon, intrusting a portion of the Collection at the Offertory on Easter Day to the Bishop of each Diocese for appropriation to such pious and charitable uses as he may think fit, and,

On his motion, the Committee were discharged.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gillette, the Canon "Of the Expenses of Ecclesiastical Trials," this morning reported by the Committee on Expenses, and laid on the Table, was taken from the Table, and referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the House will now proceed to the election of a Treasurer.

The Rev. Dr. Mead nominated Herman Cope, Esq. There being no other nomination, the vote was taken *viva voce*, and Mr. Cope was unanimously re-elected.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Burroughs,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain what business remains unfinished before the House.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Burroughs, and the Rev. Fras. J. Clerc. (See infra,)

A series of resolutions was presented by Mr. E. F. Chambers.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, moved that the resolutions be laid upon the Table—a division was called for, and the motion was sustained. Ayes, 70. Nays, 42.

The Rev. Dr. Burroughs, for the Special Committee on the remaining unfinished business, made the following report;

The Committee of two appointed to report on the unfinished busi

ness now before the House, and to suggest the order in which it shall be taken up, respectfully report, that they find the following items included in the report of the Committee on unfinished business, 1st, On page 96 and referred to again, pages 100 and 135, of the Journal of 1853, the subject of the Publication of the Prayer Book in the Spanish language; and 2d, No report has been submitted by the joint Committee on nominating Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, &c., all of which is respectfully submitted.

Phila., October 20th, 1856. CHAS. BURROUGHS, *Chairman,*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens,

Resolved, That the Committee appointed at the General Convention of 1853, on a Prayer Book in the Spanish language, be continued, and that they be requested, acting under the power given them at their appointment, to add three to their number, and to put forth the book when prepared, with the authorization of the Right Rev. member of the Committee. (See p. 40.)

On motion of Mr. A. H. Churchill,

Resolved, That this House will take a recess this day from three to seven o'clock, P. M.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolutions of Mr. E. F. Chambers were laid on the table. (See p. 134.)

The Rev. Mr. Gadsden made a motion to lay the resolution to reconsider on the table, which motion was lost.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, which

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, respecting a proposed Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation," which was, by leave of the House, subsequently recalled. See p. 136.

The question then recurred on the motion to reconsider, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. E. F. Chambers then asked leave to withdraw the resolutions which he had presented.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, leave was granted. And the resolutions were accordingly withdrawn.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, a Committee of Conference was appointed to confer with a Committee which may be appointed on the part of the House of Bishops, on the Message of the Bishops on Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation." The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Mead and F. Vinton, and Messrs. Battle, Evans, and Conrad. (See pp. 125, 136.)

The Rev. Dr. Talbot moved to take up for consideration a proposed alteration of Article V. of the Constitution, submitted by the Rev. Dr. Craik on the Sixteenth Day of the Session. (See p. 127.) The motion did not prevail.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Butler, respecting the General Theological Seminary, was now considered. (See pp. 125, 137.)

The Rev. Dr. F. Vinton moved that this resolution be now adopted.

Pending the debate on this motion, the hour arrived at which the House had resolved to suspend business, and on motion the House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed business at seven o'clock.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of this House to confer with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in relation to the Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation," transmitted to this House in Message No. 33.

Committee on the part of this House, Bishop Johns, Bishop Atkinson and Bishop H. Potter.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, of the Committee of Conference on Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation," made the following report:—

The Committee of Conference beg leave to report as the result of their consultation, that the House of Bishops have leave to withdraw their Message upon the subject of the Canon for a Council of Conciliation, for the purpose of amending it, so as to make it more expressive of their purpose in reference to said Canon.

J. JOHNS,
Chair'n Com. House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
October 20, 1856. *Chair'n Com. House of Cler. and Lay Dep's.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops have leave to withdraw Message No. 19. (See pp. 135, 137.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House concur in the adoption of the proposed amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, as sent to this House in Message No. 30, with the following amendment—substitute the word "establish" for "constitute." (See pp. 121, 137.)

Also the following Message:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do not concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in reference to the Canon entitled, "Of Councils of Conciliation," and that, as the proposed Canon contemplates a new and very serious mode of action, and there is not time to give it, at the present Session the full consideration which it requires, and that, therefore, it be postponed until the next General Convention. (See pp. 136, 139,)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Williams, the whole subject of the resolution providing for a Joint Committee to consider changes in the relations of the General Theological Seminary to the Church at large, was laid on the table. (See p. 136.)

On motion of Mr. A. H. Churchill,

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the substitution of the word "establish" for the word "constitute," in the Sixth Article of the Constitution, as passed by this House, and passed also by the House of Bishops. (See p. 136.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, for the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, presented the following report:—

The Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society beg leave to report:

That it is with regret that they have been compelled to postpone making their report, in consequence of the fact that the Triennial Report of the Board of Missions was not placed in the hands of the Chairman of this Committee until the sixteenth day of the session, thus giving to the Committee scarcely any time for the consideration of the important documents committed to them, and affording to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies no proper opportunity of deliberating and legislating upon the Church's most important work, the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom in this and foreign lands.

This tardiness calls for redress, for it is not right that the grave questions involved in the discharge of the work of missions, and the duties consequent thereon, should be thrust aside until the last hours of the session, when the number of Deputies is diminished, the House impatient, and legislation apt to be hasty and injudicious.

From the Triennial Reports of the several Missionary Bishops, we gather interesting and cheering facts.

Progress marks the efforts of each, and progress which in every instance seems limited only by the fact that the laborers cannot be found adequate to the work pressing upon our hands.

This is the special complaint of each Bishop of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

Doors of usefulness are everywhere opening, fields everywhere whitening unto harvest, and Macedonian calls everywhere ringing in our ears

the cry, "Come over and help us!" while the doors are unentered, the fields unreaped; and the cry dies out in the echo, "Help us!"

To furnish the men to meet these demands is God's work; to ask for them is man's duty; for God has declared, "For this thing will I be enquired of by the House of Israel to do it for them," adding Himself the promise, "I will increase them with men like a flock, as the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feast. So shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men, and they shall know that I am the Lord."

We find cause of thankfulness in the increase of the Missionary force at home and abroad, and that a part of that increase consists of native Christians of China and Africa, who, under the provisions of Canon I., 1850, have been admitted to the ministry of our holy Church.

We find cause of thankfulness in the increase of missionary funds, which, according to the statistics of the triennial reports, show an increase over the three preceding years of nearly fifty per cent; though to this encouraging fact, there is still the off-set, that several hundred parishes contribute nothing to the treasury of the Board.

We find cause of thankfulness also in the spiritual blessings which the Holy Ghost has poured out upon some of our Missionary stations, and especially in Africa, indicating God's favor towards our work, and His acceptance of our humble labors.

Of the many needs which press upon us, the Committee will notice but two: 1st, The necessity of the more industrious circulation of missionary intelligence, by means of sermons, lectures, tracts and papers, for only as we know the practical benefit of Missions, and are brought into contact, directly or indirectly, with those for whom the Church labors, can we pray fervently, or toil diligently, or give liberally; hence the Committee would respectfully urge upon each parish minister the importance of giving greater attention to this subject, and, by such means as may be deemed best, bringing the cause of Missions more earnestly and frequently before his people.

But second, and above all, we need that without which Paul may plant and Apollos may water in vain—the coming down upon the Church of the power of the Holy Ghost.

The deserts of heathenism will not blossom as the rose, the waste places of our land will not become a garden of the Lord, and the dry bones of the decayed churches of the East will not be moved and stand upon their feet in the flesh and blood of a new vitality, "an exceeding great army," until the breath of the four winds of God shall breathe upon our work, as Christ breathed upon His disciples, and impart to us the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

The Committee have had laid before them the documents in reference to the unsettled question of jurisdiction between the Bishop of China and the Bishop of Victoria. They regret that there has been no satisfactory adjustment of this matter, and that a recent letter from his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, shows that there is no possibility at present of reaching any definite conclusion in the matter.

Though, in the practical working of the two Bishops in China, nothing has yet arisen to disturb their amicable relations, yet this very fact only seems to render it more important to settle this question now, before vexed questions of jurisdiction and ecclesiastical issues of other sorts shall arise to excite the prejudices and swerve the judgment of the two

great Churches of England and America. The Committee hope, therefore, that efforts may still be made to adjust this delicate but important question.

The Committee have had before them the subject of improving the present peculiarly favorable opening for the establishment of Missions among the Armenians, and they confess that many and grave motives present themselves to their minds why this work should be at once undertaken.

In conclusion, the Committee offer the following resolutions:

1st. That it be recommended to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to make the Report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society the order of the day for the tenth day of the session of the Convention.

2d. That it be recommended to every clergyman having a parochial charge to give greater prominence to the cause of Domestic and Foreign Missions, and that they be requested to preach each year at least one sermon on each of these great departments of missionary labor.

3d. That, in view of the present aspect of affairs in the Eastern World, it be recommended to the Board of Missions to take into consideration the propriety of establishing missionary operations in the Ottoman Empire, and to take such action thereon as may be deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS, *Chairman*

On motion of the same, the resolutions recommended in the report were adopted seriatim.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in enacting the Canon, (see p. 102,) "Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest or Deacon," because the House does not perceive any sufficient ground for changing the existing provisions on the subject.

The following Message was received at the same time:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House concurs in the enactment of the Canon, "Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the office of a Diocesan Bishop." (See p. 103.)

Also the following:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House concur in the proposed amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution. (See p. 101.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks,

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in post-

poning the further consideration of proposed Canon, "Of Councils of Conciliation," to the next General Convention. (See p. 137.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That Canon X. of 1853, be amended, by adding to the fourth Section the words, "if there be such residue," and by striking out in the fifth Section, immediately following the word "Canon," in the fifth line, these words, "shall be the Ecclesiastical authority of the jurisdiction of said Missionary Bishop, during the vacancy of the Episcopacy thereof, or" Canon X. of 1853, is hereby repealed. The Canon so amended shall be adopted as Canon of 1856. (See p. 150.)

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton offered the following:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Canons I. and II. of 1853, be repealed. (See p. 147.)

Mr. J. N. Conyngham moved to lay the resolution on the table, which motion, on a division of the House, was lost.

The question then recurred on the motion of Dr. Vinton to repeal; which motion prevailed. So Canons I. and II. on the part of this House were repealed.

On motion, the House adjourned.

EIGHTEENTH DAY'S SESSION—TUESDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 21st, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D. a Deputy from the Diocese of Michigan, assisted by the Rev. Wm. W. Lord, a Deputy from the Diocese of Mississippi.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceeding were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, made the following report:

The Committee on Elections report that the Rev. C. C. Townsend has been duly appointed Clerical Deputy of the Diocese of Iowa, in place of the Rev. R. D. Brooke of the same Diocese; also, that Mr. Justus Watson, of New Hampshire, desires leave of absence for the remainder of the session. By order &c.,

October 21st, 1856. M. MAHAN.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Watson. On the call of his name, the Rev. Mr. Townsend appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, made the following report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (see p. 132) a Canon "Of the Expenses of Ecclesiastical Trials," respectfully report, that they have considered the same, and deem it inexpedient to pass said Canon, for as much as, in their opinion, it is a matter for Diocesan, rather than for general action, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject. By order of the Committee,

October 21*st*, 1856. WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the Committee were, agreeably to their request, discharged.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred (see p. 133) the subject of inquiry into the expediency of reporting a Canon fixing a specific time when the several Canons passed by the General Convention shall take effect, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and submit the following resolution on the subject for adoption by this House:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be enacted: Canon, "Of the time when Canons passed by the General Convention shall take effect." Every Canon enacted by the General Convention shall take effect at the expiration of sixty days from and after the final adjournment of the Convention by which it shall have been passed, except in cases where special provision is made that a Canon shall take effect at some other time.

By order of the Committee,

October 21*st*, 1856. WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

Mr. D. B. Ryall made a motion that in the Canon for the word "sixty," be substituted the word "ninety."

The Chair put the question, and the amendment was lost.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, the following amendment was adopted,

SECTION II. This Canon shall take effect from and after its enactment.

Mr. P. Williams proposed the following amendment: insert after the word Convention, in the first clause, the words, "at its future sessions."

On motion of Mr. D. H. Conrad,

Resolved, That the whole subject be laid upon the table.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: *Resolved*. That this House adopts the arrangement of Canons respecting Ordination, and enacts Canon A., "Of Clerical Residence and Removal," and Canon B. "Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes."

The Rev. Dr. Talbot offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies desire to record their acknowledgments to their venerable President for the dignified, courteous and efficient manner in which he has discharged the

duties of his responsible station, and tender him their sincere thanks for his faithful and impartial services, during the present session.

The Secretary put the question on the above motion, and it was adopted unanimously.

On motion of the same,

Unanimously, *Resolved*, That the prompt, methodical, and assiduous services of the Rev. Secretary and his Assistants merit the hearty thanks of this House, and that they are hereby respectfully tendered to him.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Unanimously *Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be and they are hereby tendered to the Treasurer of this Convention for his faithful and exact performance of the duties of his office.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Cuming,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby mostgratefully offered to the citizens of Philadelphia, for the kind attentions and generous hospitality extended to its members, during its present session, and that the Secretary give such publicity to this resolution as he may deem proper.

The Rev. Dr. Talbot presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted,

Unanimously *Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be presented to the Rector and Vestry of St. Luke's Church for the use of this Church, and for their kind provision for its accommodation, during the present session of the Convention, and that the Secretary be requested to convey to the Rector and Vestry of said Church a copy of this Resolution, and also, when published, one copy of the Journal of this Convention to each member of said Vestry.

The Rev. Dr. Wayland proposed the following amendment to Article IX. of the Constitution: (See p. 143.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following amendment to Article IX. of the Constitution be submitted to the several Diocesan Conventions: Add to the end of the Article, after the word Convention, "but this Constitution shall not be amended except by a vote of two thirds of the Dioceses represented in this Convention."

A message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in enacting the Canon entitled, "Of the Trial of a Bishop," with the following amendments:—Article II. Section 1. Strike out "three" and substitute "five," and for "one" substitute "two;" strike out "a" and make "Presbyter" "Presbyters." Section 2. Strike out "five" and substitute "seven;" strike out "one" and substitute "two;" strike

out "a" and make "Presbyter" "Presbyters:" "two" make "three;" and "five" make "seven." On page 3, printed Canon, seventh line from the top, after the word "accused," add "together with the Diocese of the accused." On page 11, strike out Article XIII.

On motion of E. F. Chambers,

Resolved, That these amendments be referred to the Committee on Canons, and that they be allowed to retire from the House for their consideration. (See pp. 120, 144.)

The Rev. Dr. Clarkson moved to lay the resolution of Dr. Wayland, proposing an amendment of the Ninth Article of the Constitution, (See p. 142.) on the table, and the motion prevailed.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Secretary do inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that this House unanimously nominates to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Connecticut, as Missionary Bishop in the Territory of Nebraska and Kansas.

The Rev. Mr. Ufford offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Conn., be and he is hereby elected Missionary Bishop to Nebraska and Kansas.

The Rev. Dr. Clarkson offered the following substitute:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House it would not be expedient, and it is not necessary for the success of the Church that a Missionary Bishop should be sent at this time to Kansas and Nebraska.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit,

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS the interests of the Church seem to require that more active Missionary operations be made in the Territory of Nebraska and Kansas, and experience has shown that to this end the early extension of the Episcopate is important if not indispensable;—and

WHEREAS, The Missionary Bishop of the North West has signified his readiness to co-operate in any measures which this House may in its wisdom judge to be expedient, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Missions has requested this House to consider the expediency of constituting a new Missionary jurisdiction, to be composed of Nebraska and Kansas; therefore,

Resolved That Nebraska and Kansas be and are hereby erected into a distinct Missionary jurisdiction.

The Rev. Dr. Clarkson having withdrawn the substitute above proposed, Mr. Collins renewed the motion that it be adopted by the House.

Mr. D. H. Conrad moved that the debate on the whole subject be closed, and the vote taken at half past one o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Collins, this proposition was laid upon the table.

The question being about to be put on the substitute of Mr. Collins, the Diocese of New York demanded a vote by Dioceses and by Orders.

During the count of the votes, the Rev. Dr. Mead for the Committee on Canons made the following report:—

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the Message of the House of Bishops, stating their concurrence with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in enacting the Canon entitled, "Of the Trial of a Bishop," with certain amendments, respectfully report, that while they would recommend that this House agree with the House of Bishops in the amendment proposed in the second Section; they report further, that the proposed amendment in Section 4, is entirely the result of a Clerical error, which can easily be corrected. The only point on which they are not prepared to advise concurrence, is the amendment which strikes out the thirteenth Article, and they would therefore recommend that the House insist on retaining Article XIII., and respectfully ask for a Committee of Conference.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks,

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in amendments one and two, proposed by them in the Canon "Of the Trial of Bishops," transmitted by this House. (See p 142,)

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That this House insist on retaining the thirteenth paragraph of the sixth Section.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference be appointed on the part of this House to meet a like Committee on the part of the House of Bishops, on the subject of this non-agreement.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Mead, Hawks and Talbot, and Messrs. J. Pringle Smith and Baldwin, the Committee on the part of this House. (See p. p. 147.)

The result of the vote on the substitute of Mr. Collins, was then declared as follows:—

Clergy.— Dioceses represented, 30. AYES, 11. NAYS, 13. DIVIDED, 6.

Laity.—Dioceses represented, 23. AYES 4. NAYS, 17. DIVIDED, 2. So the substitute was lost.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Fred. Gardiner, Rev. Edward Jessup—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. C. R. Batchelder, —*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Rev. H. B. Whipple, Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D.—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Andrew B. Patterson, DD., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D. —*Aye.* Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Rev. William Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough—*Aye.* Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D.—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire—*Aye.*

Texas.—Rev. E. H. Downing. Rev. Edward Fontaine—*Aye.* Rev. Charles Gillette—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robert E. Terry, Rev. Wm. Norman Irish—*Aye.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Josiah Phelps—*Aye.*

California.—Rev. Chris'r B. Wyatt—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New York.—Mr. Floyd Smith—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D., Mr. John H. Alexander, LL.D.—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Mr. W. H. Battle—*Aye.*

Indiana—Mr. Peter B. Baily—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Massachusetts.—Rev. John Wayland, D.D., Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., Rev. William Horton—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. George W. Hathaway, Rev. J. H. Eames—*Nay.* Rev. Danl. Henshaw—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. William Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. William B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. George Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rev. Joshua Peterkin—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. C. P. Gadsden—*Nay.* Rev. P. J. Shand—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D.—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Chas. Tomes, Rev. John L. Gay.—*Nay.* Rev. John A. Harrison—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D. D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson—*Nay.*

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D.—*Nay.*
Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Chas. P. Clarke—*Nay.* Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D. D.—*Aye.*
Iowa.—Rev. Edw. W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. Jno. Ufford, Rev. C. C. Townsend—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner—*Nay.*
Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton—*Nay.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. Geo. S. Wardwell, Mr. Wm. Binney—*Nay.*
Connecticut.—Mr. Chas. A. Lewis—*Nay.*
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall—*Nay.*
Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Mr. Geo. M. Stroud—*Nay.*
Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. Gregory Chandler—*Nay.* Mr. Alexis J. Dupont—*Aye.*
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Morgan Nelson—*Nay.*
South Carolina.—Mr. Chas. Sinkler, Mr. Edward McGrady—*Nay.* Mr. Robt. F. W. Allston—*Aye.*
Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin—*Nay.*
Alabama.—Mr. Robert S. Bunker—*Nay.*
Louisiana.—Mr. W. M. Goodrich, Mr. Jas. Chambers—*Nay.*
Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett—*Nay.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell.—*Nay.*
Michigan.—Mr. Henry P. Baldwin—*Nay.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Nay.*

DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Chas. Burroughs, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Newton E. Marble, D.D.—*Nay.*
Georgia.—Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Richard Johnson—*Aye.* Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. William C. Williams—*Nay.*
Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. W. T. Saunders, —*Nay.*
Alabama.—Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. Geo. F. Cushman—*Aye.* Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay—*Nay.*
Mississippi.—Rev. Wm. W. Lord—*Aye.* Rev. Benjamin Halsted, —*Nay.*
Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Danl. T. Grinnell, —*Aye.* Rev. Horace Hills, jr., Rev. Geo. Willard—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Vermont.—Mr. Thomas H. Canfield—*Aye.* Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL.D.—*Nay.*
Western New York.—Mr. F. W. Hubbard—*Aye.* Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont—*Nay.*

Mr. E. F. Chambers offered the following substitute for the original resolution of the Rev. Mr. Ufford, which was the matter next before the House.

Resolved, That it is expedient to proceed to the election of a Missionary Bishop of Kansas and Nebraska.

Pending the discussion of this substitute, the hour arrived for the recess, and on motion the House suspended business.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed business at seven o'clock.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: *Resolved*, That this House concur in the appointment of a Joint Committee of Conference respecting the Canon "Of a Trial of a Bishop," and the Committee on the part of this House are Bishops Hopkins and A. Lee. (See pp. 144, 150.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in appointing a Committee to nominate a suitable person to correct typographical errors in the Standard edition of the Bible.

Committee on the part of this House, Bishops Upfold and Potter. (See p. 151.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House concur in the appointment of a joint Committee to consider the expediency of opening a friendly intercourse with the Church of Sweden, and to report at the next General Convention.

The Committee on the part of this House, Bishops Brownell, Hopkins, Elliott, Potter, Burgess. (See p. 35.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this House do not concur in the action of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respecting Canons I. and II. of 1853. (See p 140.)

Mr. E. F. Chambers withdrew the substitute for the resolution to proceed to the election of the Missionary Bishop to Kansas and Nebraska, to give place to the following:

The Rev. Dr. Stevens offered as a substitute the following:

Resolved, That it being expedient to fill the Episcopate of Kansas and Nebraska, this House do hereby elect the Rev. Jacob L. Clarke, D. D., Missionary Bishop to Nebraska and Kansas.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Talbot,

Resolved, That the substitute be amended by striking out the words "it being," and inserting in the stead, the words, "Whereas it is."

The Rev. Mr. Gadsden raised a question of order whether the question having been taken in the morning upon the converse of the proposition contained in the first member of this resolution, it be admissible to present essentially the

same question in an altered form. The Chair pronounced that the question in the morning had not been decided by a constitutional majority; that the resolution was not *determined* in the *negative* but only lost by the non-concurrence of the two orders.

Mr. P. Williams appealed from the decision of the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Battle the appeal was laid upon the table.

On motion of the Rev. H. C. Lay,

Ordered. That the question on the substitute of Rev. Dr. Stevens, be taken at 8½ o'clock.

On motion of Mr. D. B. Ryall,

Resolved, That the question be divided, so that the sense of the House may be taken, first, on the first proposition.

The question was then taken on the former part of the resolution, to wit: "That whereas it is expedient to fill the Episcopate of Kansas and Nebraska." The Diocese of Wisconsin demanded a vote by Dioceses and by Orders.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Massachusetts.—Rev. Jno. Wayland, D.D., Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D., Rev. Wm. Horton—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, Rev. George W. Hathaway, Rev. J. H. Eames—*Aye.* Rev. Dan'l Henshaw—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. Robt A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. A. B. Patterson, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D.—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel C. Brinkle, Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rev. Geo. Sheets, Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Rev. William Sparrow, D.D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. P. Trapier, Rev. C. P. Gadsden—*Aye.* Rev. P. J. Shand—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. Wm. T. Leacock, D.D., Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D.D., Rev. R. W. Trader—*Aye.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Chas Tomes, Rev. Thomas W. Humes, Rev. John L. Gay.—*Aye.* Rev. Jno. A. Harrison—*Nay.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. William R. Nicholson—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D.—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Charles P. Clarke—*Aye.* Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Iowa.—Rev. Edward W. Peet, Rev. Geo. Denison, Rev. Jno. Ufford, Rev. C. C. Townsend—*Aye.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robt. H. Gardiner—*Aye.*
Massachusetts.—Mr. Wm. Appleton—*Aye.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. George S. Wardwell, Mr. William Binney—*Aye.*
Connecticut.—Mr. Charles A. Lewis—*Aye.*
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall—*Aye.*
Pennsylvania.—Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. George M. Stroud—*Aye.*
Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. G. Chandler—*Aye.* Mr. Alex. I. Dupont—*Nay.*
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Morgan Nelson—*Aye.*
South Carolina.—Mr. J. Pringle Smith Mr. Charles Sinkler—*Aye.* Mr. Robert F. W. Allston—*Nay.*
Georgia.—Mr. James Potter, Mr. Daniel Griffin—*Aye*
Alabama.—Mr. Robert S. Bunker—*Aye.*
Louisiana.—Mr. W. M. Goodrich—*Aye.*
Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett—*Aye.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. M. Grant Mitchell—*Aye.*
Michigan.—Mr. Henry P. Baldwin—*Aye.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Edward Jessup.—*Nay.* Rev. D. C. Weston—*Aye.*
Vermont.—Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. C. R. Bachelder—*Nay.*
New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edw. Y. Higbee, D.D. Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D, Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Nay.*
Western New York.—Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D.D., Rev. William D. Wilson, D.D., Rev. Wiliam B. Ashley.—*Nay.* Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D.—*Aye.*
Maryland.—Wm. Pinckney, D.D., Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough.—*Nay.* Rev. Henry M. Mason D.D.—*Aye.*
North Carolina.—Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev, J. B. Cheshire—*Nay.*
Florida.—Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., Rev. W. T. Saunders—*Nay.*
Texas.—Rev. E. H. Downing, Rev. Edward Fontaine.—*Nay.* Rev. Charles Gillette—*Aye.*
Missouri.—Rev. Francis F. Clerc, Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Rev. Robt. R. Terry, Rev. Wm. Norman Irish—*Nay.*
Wisconsin.—Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. David Keene, Rev. Josiah Phelps—*Nay.*
California.—Rev. Christ. B. Wyatt—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New York.—Mr. Floyd Smith—*Nay.*
Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D., Mr. James M. Campbell, Mr. John H. Alexander, LL.D.—*Nay.*
North Carolina.—Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. W. H. Battle—*Nay.*
Indiana.—Mr. Baily—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Newton E. Marble, D. D.—*Aye.* Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D.—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Rev. William C. Williams.—*Aye.* Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., Rev. Richard Johnson—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. H. C. Lay.—*Aye.* Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. G. F. Cushman—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Benjamin Halsted.—*Aye.* Rev. Wm. W. Lord —*Nay.*

Michigan.—Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Rev. George Willard.—*Aye.* Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Vermont.—Mr. Isaac F. Redfield, LL.D.—*Aye.* Mr. Thomas H. Canfield—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Mr. Wm. C. Pierrepont.—*Aye.* Mr. Benj. Pringle—*Nay.*

During the count of the votes, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks,

Resolved, That the House concur in amendments of Canon X. of 1853, "Of Missionary Bishops within the United States," transmitted to this House in Message No. 27, from the House of Bishops. (See p. 140.)

The Committee of Conference on the amendment of the House of Bishops, of the "Canon of the Trial of a Bishop," by striking out the XIIIth paragraph of the sixth Section of said Canon,

Report, That they have agreed to advise their several Houses to retain the said XIIIth Section, amended as follows, and do therefore recommend that the said amendments be passed.

XIII. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Canon *may* be attended by one or more Lay-*advisers*, who shall be Communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such *advisers* may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but they shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give, *in person*, to the Court an opinion on any question, not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court, by a majority of votes.

The Court may always by unanimous consent, appoint an *adviser* or *advisers*. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they all shall be

advisers, if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairm'n Com. House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
October 21st, 1856. *Chairm'n Com. House Cler. and Lay Deps.*

[NOTE.—The amendments are in *italics*.] (See infra.)

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved. That the amendments proposed in the above report, be accepted and the Canon passed accordingly on the part of this House.

Mr. J. H. Alexander offered the following resolution:

Resolved. That a Message be sent to the House of Bishops of the following purport:

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies respectfully ask of the House of Bishops, to be informed if the House of Bishops has taken or intends to take any action in regard to a certain Memorial concerning the use of the Book of Common Prayer, addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in Council assembled, as appears on the Journal of the last General Convention, (p. 181,) and upon which Memorial it appears by the same Journal that the House of Bishops appointed a Committee of their body.

On motion of Mr. A. H. Churchill, the proposal to send this Message was laid upon the table. (See p. 151.)

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel, from the Joint Committee of Nomination, presented the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed by the House (see pp. 32, 41,) to nominate a Board of Trustees for the management for the next three years of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, nominate the following persons: The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., Rev. Jno. H. Hobart, D.D., Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., Hon. Hamilton Fish, Hon. Luther Bradish, Robt. B. Minturn, Esq., Josiah Collins, Esq.

And on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, the persons nominated in the report, were appointed on the part of this House. (See infra.)

The following message was received:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: *Resolved*. That this House concur in the report of the Joint Committee of Conference on the Canon "Of the Trial of a Bishop," and adopt the Canon as amended by said Committee.

Also the following;

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: *Resolved*. That this House concur in the nomination of Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, &c., made by the Joint Committee of Conference of the two Houses.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Talbot,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait on the House of Bishops and inform them that this House has completed the business before it and is ready to receive any communication they may please to make.

The Chair appointed Rev. Dr. Hanckel and Mr. William Appleton.

The Committee returned and reported, that they had discharged the duty assigned to them.

The Rev. Mr. Phelps moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution offered by Mr. J. H. Alexander, proposing to send a Message, touching the Memorial on the Prayer Book was laid on the Table. (See p. 150.)

On motion of Mr. W. H. Battle,

Resolved, That the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, from the Joint Committee to nominate a corrector of typographical errors in the Standard Bible, (see p. 147,) reported that the Committee had agreed to nominate the Rev. Dr. Henry M. Mason.

And on his motion the House confirmed the nomination.

A message was received from the House of Bishops announcing its concurrence in the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Mason, as recommended by the Committee of Conference.

The Secretary declared himself ready to communicate to the Chair the result of the count upon the vote by Dioceses and Orders, on the first member of the resolution offered by Rev. Dr. Stevens, to wit, the proposition, "Whereas it is expedient to fill the Episcopate of Kansas and Nebraska."

Clergy.—Dioceses represented, 30. AYES, 14. NAYS, 11. DIVIDED, 5.

Laity.—Dioceses represented, 23. AYES, 17. NAYS, 4. DIVIDED, 2.

So the motion was lost for want of concurrence of the two orders.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stubbs,

Resolved, That the latter part of the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, (See p. 147,) be laid on the Table in order to avoid the personal question involved.

The Rev. Mr. Shand offered the following resolution, which was adopted, to wit,

Resolved, That the Convention cannot close its labors, without the

expression of its heartfelt gratitude to Almighty God from whom all good counsels proceed, for the large measure of harmony, which has attended its deliberations, and the Christian courtesy and kindness, which have characterised its proceedings.

The House of Bishops now entered the Chancel. The Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins ascended the Pulpit—the presiding Bishop not being present—and read the Pastoral Letter.

At its close the "Gloria in Excelsis" was sung by the Convention, after which appropriate Collects were read, and the Apostolic Benediction was pronounced by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins.

The House of Bishops then retired.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, *Ordered*, that five thousand copies of the Pastoral Letter be printed and distributed at the discretion of the Secretary.

The President, Rev. Dr. Creighton, addressed the Members of the House of Deputies, as follows:—

I should be unjust to my own feelings, as well as to the kindness of the House, did I omit to express my heartfelt gratitude for the courteous terms in which my conduct, while in the Chair, has been noticed. From a body like this, respectable, dignified, and intelligent, such notice is not merely complimentary—it is flattering—I claim credit only for a sincere desire and earnest endeavors to discharge the duties of the office with impartiality and fidelity—all beyond must be ascribed to your indulgent and partial appreciation of my services.

It affords me unfeigned satisfaction that I can again congratulate the House on the happy and harmonious termination of our labors. The good order, the good temper, and kind forbearance exhibited—the wise avoidance of all agitating and irritating questions, and the eminent ability shown, both in the preparation of business by your Committtees, and the eloquent debates on the subjects presented—place the Church which we love in an attitude before the world which must command its respect and admiration; proving to the satisfaction of every candid mind, that it is possible for a religious body, the members of which are drawn from every quarter of our wide-spread country, to meet and discuss questions of the most delicate and interesting kind, with an earnestness and firmness, becoming their importance, and yet separate, not only with the accents of good will on their lips but with the sentiments of Christian

amity and love in their hearts. "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy hands be the praise."

In taking leave of the Members of the House, some of whom, in the all-wise Providence of God, I may see no more, I tender to them my very sincere wishes for their welfare, here and hereafter.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

The House adjourned *sine die*

Signed by order of the House,

WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D.D.,
President.

Attest.

M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE, D.D.,
Secretary.

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HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

PHILADELPHIA, WEDNESDAY, Oct. 1st, 1856.

THIS being the day and place appointed by a resolution of the last General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, for the meeting of this body, the Right Rev'd Thomas Church Brownell, D.D., LL.D., of Connecticut, the Right Rev'd John Henry Hopkins, D.D., LL.D., of Vermont, the Right Rev'd Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., of Kentucky, the Right Rev'd George Washington Doane, D.D., LL.D., of New Jersey, the Right Rev'd James Hervey Otey, D.D., of Tennessee, the Right Rev'd Jackson Kemper, D.D., Diocesan Bishop for Wisconsin, and Missionary Bishop of the North West, the Right Rev'd Samuel Allen McCoskry, D.D., D.C.L., of Michigan, the Right Rev'd Leonidas Polk, D.D., of Louisiana, the Right Rev'd William Heathcote De Lancey, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., of Western New York, the Right Rev'd William Rollinson Whittingham, D.D., of Maryland, the Right Rev'd Stephen Elliott, D.D., of Georgia, the Right Rev'd Alfred Lee, D.D., of Delaware, the Right Rev'd John Johns, D.D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, the Right Rev'd Manton Eastburn, D.D., of Massachusetts, the Right Rev'd Carlton Chase, D.D., of New Hampshire, the Right Rev'd George Washington Freeman, D.D., Missionary Bishop of the South West, the Right Rev'd Alonzo Potter, D.D., LL.D., of Pennsylvania, the Right Rev'd George Upfold, D.D., LL.D., of Indiana, the Right Rev'd William Mercer Green, D.D., of

Mississippi, the Right Rev'd John Williams, D.D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, the Right Rev'd Henry John Whitehouse, D.D., of Illinois, the Right Rev'd Thomas Atkinson, D.D., of North Carolina, the Right Rev'd Thomas F. Scott, D.D., of Oregon, the Right Rev'd Henry W. Lee, D.D., of Iowa, the Right Rev'd Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New York, and the Right Rev'd Thomas M. Clark, D.D., of Rhode Island, attended divine service in St. Luke's Church.

The morning prayer was read by the Rev'd C. Hanckel, D.D., assisted by the Rev'd Benjamin Watson. The Ante-Communion service was read by the Right Rev'd Bishop Hopkins, assisted by the Right Rev'd Bishop Smith. The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev'd Bishop Doane. The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev'd Bishop Hopkins, assisted by the other Bishops present.

After Divine Service in St. Luke's Church, the said Bishops assembled in the Lecture Room.

The Senior Bishop, the Right Rev'd Bishop Brownell, took the Chair. The roll was then called, when, a quorum being present, the House proceeded to business.

Without proceeding to ballot for a Secretary, the House, on motion, adjourned to attend Divine Service in St. Luke's Church, on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 2d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church. Prayers were read by Bishop McCoskry and Bishop Atkinson.

Present as yesterday, with the addition of the Right Rev'd William Meade, D.D., of Virginia, the Right Rev'd Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., D.C.L., of Ohio, the Right Rev'd Cicero Stephens Hawks, D.D., of Missouri, the Right Rev'd George Burgess, D.D., of Maine, and the Right Rev'd Thomas Frederick Davis, D.D., of South Carolina.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the first day's Session were read and approved.

The Rev'd Dr. Stevens, and the Honorable Luther

Bradish, appeared as a Committee from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and announced, that that House was organized by the appointment of the Rev'd Dr. Creighton, as President, and the Rev'd Dr. Howe, as Secretary, and was ready to proceed to business.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Secretary, and the Chair announced that the Rev. Dr. Balch was duly elected.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that this House is now organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion of Bishop Doane, seconded by Bishop Otey,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops cannot proceed to the ordinary business of the Session, without a tribute of affectionate veneration to the memory of their beloved and lamented brother, the Right Rev'd Jonathan Mayhew Wainwright, D.D., D.C.L., late Provisional Bishop of New York, who, in his whole Ministry, had secured by his zealous devotion to every good work, and his beautiful benignity of character, the confidence and love of all who knew him; and whose brief, but glorious Episcopate, by the services which it combined, and the influences which it exerted, secured for him, the admiring gratitude of his Diocese, and an enduring record in the heart of the whole Church.

On motion of Bishop De Lancey,

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to appoint an Assistant-Secretary, with the approbation of the Presiding Bishop.

Bishop Otey presented a report in part from the Commission on the Memorial, (see p. 181, Journal, 1853,) which was read, and on motion of Bishop Hawks, it was

Resolved, That the Report be laid on the table and printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter,

Resolved, That 500 copies of the report be printed, subject to the order of this House.

Bishop Horatio Potter, submitted a communication from the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, which was read.

On motion of Bishop Upfold,

Resolved, That for the better dispatch of business, the Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and be announced to-morrow.

The Right Rev'd Bishop Freeman, presented his report, which, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was referred to the Committee on Missions.

On Motion of Bishop Green,

Resolved, That until the further order of the House, the House will meet daily at nine o'clock, and adjourn at half-past two, taking a recess of half an hour at one o'clock.

Bishop De Lancey moved that the House take up the proposed amendment of Art. VI. of the Constitution, (p. 5, Journal of 1853,) for consideration.

On motion of Bishop Upfold, the House adjourned, to attend Divine Service at nine o'clock Friday morning.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 3d, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Bishop Burgess, seconded by Bishop Upfold,

Resolved, That the vote referring the report of Bishop Freeman, be re-considered, in order that the report may be read.

The Secretary read the report.

On motion of Bishop Otey, seconded by Bishop Polk,

Resolved, That the report of Bishop Freeman be sent to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be by him laid before that House.

The Presiding Bishop announced to the House that he had received a letter from Bishop Rutledge, of Florida, stating that he could not attend the Session of this Convention, in consequence of sickness in his Parish.

Bishop McCoskry read an invitation from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, asking the House of Bishops to view and inspect the new Masonic Hall, and on motion of Bishop McCoskry,

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted, and that the Secretary return the thanks of this House to the Grand Master for the same.

The Presiding Bishop announced the Standing Committees as follows, viz.:

I. *Admission of New Dioceses.*—Bishop Meade, Bishop Chase, Bishop Davis, Bishop Scott.

II. *Consecration of Bishops.*—Bishop McIlvaine, Bishop Polk, Bishop Burgess, Bishop Hawks.

III. *Canons.*—Bishop Hopkins, Bishop McCoskry, Bishop De Lancey, Bishop Whittingham, Bishop Upfold

IV. *General Theological Seminary.*—Bishop Doane, Bishop Kemper, Bishop Atkinson, Bishop Whitehouse, Bishop Hor. Potter.

V. *Domestic and Foreign Missions.*—Bishop Otey, Bishop Elliot, Bishop Freeman, Bishop A. Potter, Bishop H. W. Lee.

VI. *Unfinished Business.*—Bishop Smith, Bishop A. Lee, Bishop Eastburn.

VII. *Prayer Book.*—Bishop Cobbs, Bishop Green, Bishop Williams, Bishop Clark.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 1.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Diocese of California be, and hereby is, admitted into Union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Which, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was referred to the Committee on the admission of New Dioceses.

The Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies presented certain documents in relation to the Diocese of California, which, on motion of Bishop Hawks, were referred to the Committee on the admission of new Dioceses.

Bishop Otey, Chairman of the Commission appointed on the Memorial, p. 181, Jour. of 1853, submitted the report, and on motion of Bishop Hawks, seconded by Bishop Upfold,

Resolved, That the report of the Commission be laid on the table for the present, and be printed for the use of this House. (See Appendix, K.—2., p. 339.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY'S SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 4th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday with the exception of Bishop Scott.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Bishop Potter,

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered, the House adjourn at 12 o'clock on Saturdays, and meet again at 12 o'clock on Mondays.

Bishop Meade, Chairman of the Committee on the admission of new Dioceses, reported in favor of concurring with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in relation to the Diocese of California, whereupon

On motion of Bishop A. Potter,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, admitting the Diocese of California into Union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and that notice of this concurrence be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

Rev'd L. P. W. Balch, D.D., Secretary of the House of Bishops.

REV'D AND DEAR SIR,

In compliance with a resolution of the Board of Missions, adopted on the 2d inst., I transmit to the General Convention the Seventh Triennial Report of that body.

Very respectfully,

P. VAN PELT,

Secretary of this Board.

Philadelphia, October 3d, 1856. (See Appendix, E.—1., p. 268.)

Which, on motion of Bishop Freeman was referred to the Committee on Missions.

Bishop Hopkins called up the proposed amendment to Article VI. of the Constitution, and moved its adoption.

On motion of Bishop Upfold,

Resolved, That the subject be laid on the table for the present, and made the order of the day for Monday next, after reading the minutes.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, on motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY, October 6th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as at the last meeting, with the addition of Bishop Scott, and with the exception of Bishop Whitehouse.

On motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the minutes be postponed until half past one o'clock.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 2.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, If the House of Bishops concur that a joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and, in case of the concurrence of the House of Bishops, that Rev'd Drs. Hanckel, Burroughs and Stevens, and Messrs. Josiah Collins and W. Appleton be the Committee on the part of this House.

On motion,

Resolved, That this House concur in the appointment of a joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 3.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consenting, a joint Committee, consisting of five on the part of this House, be appointed to consider the expediency of opening a friendly intercourse with the Church of Sweden, and to report to the next General Convention.

The Chair appointed on the part of this House, Rev'd Drs. H. M. Mason, F. L. Hawks, Rev'd Mr. Trapier, and Messrs. Collins and Evans. (See p. 206.)

Which, on motion of Bishop Upfold, was laid on the table for the present.

Bishop Scott submitted his report, which, on motion of Bishop Elliott, was received and referred to the Committee on Missions.

A communication was received from the President of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the Blind, inviting the House of Bishops to view and inspect the improvement of its pupils.

On motion of Bishop Otey,

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted, and that the Secretary communicate the thanks of the House to the President of the Pennsylvania Institute for the instruction of the Blind.

The minutes of the fourth day's session were read and approved.

The order of the day, viz:— the motion of Bishop Hopkins, to adopt the proposed amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution being under consideration.

Pending the discussion, on motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY'S SESSION.

TUESDAY, October 7th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop announced the Committee on the part of this House, to act with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as a joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Bishop H. Potter, Bishop Burgess and Bishop Williams. (See p. 208.)

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 4.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has unanimously passed the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted:

CANON

Of Episcopal Residence.

It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within his Diocese.

Which, on motion of Bishop Smith, was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 171.)

Bishop De Lancey called for the order of the day, being the motion of Bishop Hopkins to adopt the proposed amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution. (See p. 164.)

Bishop Whittingham moved to lay the motion of Bishop Hopkins on the table.—*Lost.*

Bishop Upfold moved to postpone the question until to-morrow.—*Lost.*

Bishop Johns called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

YEAS.—Bishops Hopkins, Smith, Otey, Kemper, Whittingham, Chase, Hawks, Upfold, Green, and H. Potter.—10.

NAYS.—Bishops Brownell, Meade, McIlvaine, Doane, McCoskry, Polk, De Lancey, Lee, Johns, Eastburn, Cobbs, Freeman, Burgess, Williams, Davis, Atkinson, Scott, H. W. Lee, and Clark.—19.

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Bishop Atkinson, seconded by Bishop Hopkins, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to report on the expediency of so amending Article III. of the Constitution, as to provide that no Canon shall be enacted, and have the validity of law, without express concurrence of both Houses of the General Convention.

On motion of Bishop Green, seconded by Bishop Polk, it was

Resolved, That the following Canon be referred to the Committee on Canons:

"When a clergyman, who has been absent from his Diocese, shall so place himself beyond the reach of the ecclesiastical authority of the same, as that his place of residence cannot be known, the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, may, after due notice in one or more of the Church papers, proceed to suspend him from the ministry; which suspension shall continue, until he shall have renewed his residence, and made satisfaction to the ecclesiastical authority of the same." (See p. 170.)

On motion of Bishop Williams, seconded by Bishop Hopkins, it was

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Canons report on the expediency of such additional provisions in Canon X. of 1853, as may secure the accession of a Missionary Bishop to one of the Dioceses which shall be formed at any time within his Missionary jurisdiction. (See p. 170.)

Bishop Elliott having been absent at the time the question was taken, asked permission to record his vote on the motion of Bishop Hopkins, to adopt the proposed amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution. (See p. 181.)

On motion, leave was granted.

Bishop Elliott voted, No.

Bishop A. Potter, having also been absent, asked the same permission, which, on motion, was granted.

Bishop A. Potter voted, No.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 5.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has negatived a motion to ratify the amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, adopted by both Houses of the General Convention of 1853.

Bishop Hopkins submitted the report of a majority of the Committee on the trial of a Bishop and on appeals, and likewise the report of the minority on the same. (See Appendix, p. I. p. 306.)

On motion of Bishop Smith, seconded by Bishop Cobbs, the following amendment to the 34th Canon of 1832, entitled, "of differences between ministers and their congregations," was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

Omitting, at line 9th, the words, "of the whole belonging to the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention," and in place thereof to insert the following words, so that the Canon as amended shall read:

"And if it appear to the Bishop and a majority of the Presbyters convened after a summons of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or of the five nearest Presbyters of the Church to the Parish concerned, or, if the Parish be one of many in a great city, of twelve of the nearest Presbyters, or any seven of them, after the exercise of a right of challenge of any five of them by the parties concerned," that the controversy, &c.

Bishop Polk moved, seconded by Bishop Green,

"That a Standing Committee on Memorials composed of three Bishops, shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, to which Committee, all Memorials, petitions, and similar communications, presented to the House, shall, on their presentation be referred." (See p. 165.)

Bishop Whittingham, seconded by Bishop Johns, moved the following substitute:

Resolved, That the President of the House appoint a Committee of three on Communications to the House, other than messages of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies: (and that the paper now offered by Bishop Scott, be referred to said Committee.)

Pending the consideration of Bishop Polk's motion:

On motion of Bishop De Lancey,

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Canons be made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Bishop Otey,

Resolved, That the report of the Commission on the Memorial be made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. (p. 168.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY'S SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the exception of Bishop McIlvaine.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The resolution moved by Bishop Whittingham on the 6th day's session as a substitute for the motion of Bishop Polk to appoint a Standing Committee on Memorials, being under consideration.

On motion of Bishop Freeman, the question was divided, and the sense of the House taken on the following resolution.

Resolved, That the President of the House appoint a Committee of three on communications to the House, other than messages of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Lost.

On motion of Bishop Polk it was

Resolved, That a Standing Committee on Memorials composed of three Bishops, shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, to which Committee, all memorials, petitions, and similar communications presented to the House, shall on their presentation be referred. (p. 164–7.)

The Presiding Bishop, appointed Bishop Otey, Bishop De Lancey, and Bishop Elliot, the Standing Committee on Memorials.

Bishop Hopkins, Chairman of the Committee on Canons

presented a report recommending that the House of Bishops concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in adopting the Canon of Episcopal Residence.

On motion of Bishop Whittingham the report was laid on the table. (See p. 169.)

The following message was received.

MESSAGE No. 6.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informs the House of Bishops, that it has adopted unamimously the following resolution.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the 3rd Article of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be amended by striking out the words of "Thirty members," and inserting therein the words "of four times the number of the Dioceses in Union with the General Convention, of which number, there shall be two members, one Clerical and one Lay, from each organized Diocese.

Which on motion was laid on the table for the present.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has adopted the following resolution.

Whereas, By a Standing Order, or Rubric, of the Convention of 1832, it is provided, as will be found in every authorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer, that "It shall be the duty of every Minister, with such assistance as he can obtain from persons skilled in music, to *give order* concerning the *tunes* to be sung at any time in his church, and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance, by which vain and ungodly persons profane the Services of the Sanctuary."

And whereas, It has been found, by more than twenty-four years' experience under said order, that it has, in many instances, failed to produce the full effect intended by its adoption, viz: an efficient and salutary Supervision and Direction, by the Minister, of the use of such suitable and appropriate Tunes as are convenient to be sung by the greater portion of the devout worshippers in his congregation:—Therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be requested to consider the expediency; and, if by them deemed expedient, to recommend for use in the several Dioceses, an edition of the authorized Psalms and Hymns, interspersed with suitable and appropriate Tunes, and musical notes, to be used by the Choirs and Congregations of the several Parishes, as a means of promoting greater uniformity and harmony in the performance of this interesting and essential part of Divine Service.

And be it further

Resolved, That if the House of Bishops see fit to recommend the publication of the Psalms and Hymns, with Tunes and musical Notes in a volume separate from the Book of Common Prayer, they are also hereby requested to take such measures for the selection of Tunes to be

inserted in said volume, and the preparation thereof for the Press, as, in their wisdom, they may think proper." (See p. 172.)

Which on motion was laid on the table for the present.

The report of the Commission on the Memorial being under consideration,

Bishop Whittingham proposed the following substitute for the first resolution.

"That Ministers may at their discretion use separately the order for Morning Prayer; the Litany being used on days for which it is ordered, and the Ante-Communion Service, when a service is held on a day for which a Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are specially appointed, and that when a third Service is held, the Litany or the Ante-Communion, or both may be used in the afternoon, the order for Evening Prayer being reserved for said third service."

On motion of Bishop Elliot it was

Resolved, That the substitute proposed by Bishop Whittingham, together with the resolutions reported by the Commission be referred back to the Commission for reconstruction. (See p. 168.)

On motion of Bishop Otey seconded by Bishop De Lancey, Bishop Elliot was added to the Commission.

Bishop Otey asked to be excused from serving on the Standing Committee on Memorials, and on motion of Bishop De Lancey, the House granted the request.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishop Polk on the Standing Committee on Memorials. (See p. 175.)

The Presiding Bishop laid before the House an invitation from H. D. Gilpin, Esq., on the part of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, to visit its Galleries.

On motion of Bishop De Lancey it was

Resolved, That the same be accepted and that the Secretary communicate the thanks of this House to the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

Bishop Polk presented a report from the Standing Committee on Memorials.

On motion of Bishop Hawks.

Resolved, That the Report from the Standing Committee on Memorials be referred back to the same for further consideration.

Bishop A. Potter presented sundry Memorials, which on motion were referred to the Standing Committee on Memorials.

Bishop Eastburn presented a Memorial which on motion was referred to the same Committee. (See p. 175.)

On motion the House adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 9th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies

Present as yesterday with the addition of Bishop McIlvaine.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Otey, chairman of the Commission on the Memorial, reported the following resolution instead of resolutions I. and II. p. 28 of printed report. (See Appendix K.,)

I "The order of Morning Prayer, the Litany, and the Communion Service, being separate offices, may as in former times, be used separately, [subject to such restrictions as the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may prescribe.]

On motion of Bishop Johns the said report was laid on the table. (See p. 169.)

On motion of Bishop Elliott,

Resolved, That the report of the Commission on the Memorial be made the order of the day for every day, immediately after the recess of the House. (See p. 171.)

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, seconded by Bishop Kemper,

Resolved, That the order of the day be laid on the table to receive the report and correspondence of the Committee in relation to the Missionary Bishop to China.

Bishop Doane presented the following report:

"The undersigned, a Committee of the House of Bishops to whom the subject of the conflict of jurisdiction between the Missionary Bishop of this Church in China, and the Bishop of Victoria was referred, to act, in the recess of the General Convention, in conference and consultation with the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, and to hold such correspondence as they may deem suitable to the case with His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, and with the Church Missionary Society in England, and to report such correspondence at the next General Convention, respectfully present the correspondence on the subject."

G. W. DOANE,
ALFRED LEE,
H. J. WHITEHOUSE.

And on motion of Bishop Doane the said report and correspondence were referred to the Committee on Missions.

On Motion of Bishop Whittingham,

Resolved, That the report on Canons laid on the table yesterday be now taken up.

Pending the discussion the hour for the order of the day arrived. (See p. 170.)

The following message was received.

MESSAGE No. 8.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the following Members of this House to serve on a joint Committee with such as may be appointed by the House of Bishops to nominate a Board of Missions for the three years next ensuing.—viz:—The Rev'd Dr. Stevens of Pennsylvania, the Rev'd C. P. Gadsden of South Carolina, the Rev'd Mr. Keene of Wisconsin, Mr. E. F. Chambers of Maryland, Mr. E. A. Newton of Massachusetts, Mr. Henry P. Baldwin of Michigan. (See p. 191.)

The order of the day being under consideration,

Bishop McIlvaine moved to strike out all after the word separately in Resolution I. and add "under the advice of the Bishop of the Diocese." Adopted.

The resolution as amended read as follows:

I. "The order of Morning Prayer, the Litany, and the Communion Service, being separate offices, may, as in former times, be used separately under the advice of the Bishop of the Diocese."

Pending the discussion the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 10th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

On motion of Bishop Johns,

Resolved, That this House proceed to ballot for a Committee, to act as a joint Committee with a Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in nominating a Board of Missions for the three years next ensuing.

After balloting, it appeared that Bishop Doane, Bishop Polk and Bishop Williams, were elected.

Bishop Hopkins, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, made the following report:

The Committee on Canons, having taken into consideration the various subjects before them, report as follows:

1. They recommend that the House of Bishops concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in passing the Canon of Episcopal Residence.

2. They recommend that no action be taken in relation to the motion to amend the 3d Article of the Constitution, as the Committee are unanimously of opinion that although the proposed amendment is right in principle, yet it is not expedient to move it at this time, and it would be most seemly, when it is moved, that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies should take the lead in the alteration. (See p. 173.)

On motion of Bishop Atkinson,

Resolved, That the first resolution of the report be laid on the table for the present.

On motion, the Committee on Canons, had leave to withdraw their report, and presented the following Canon in place of the second resolution:

"In case of controversy between any rector or assistant minister of a Parish, and the vestry of the same, the parties, or either of them, may apply to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District, who shall summon the Standing Committee to meet at a set time and place, and give reasonable notice to the parties, in order that the grounds of the controversy may be fully stated to the satisfaction of the Bishop and the Committee. After a due examination, the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall decide upon the conditions on which the rector or assistant-minister shall be required to resign his official rights in the said Parish, and if he refuse or neglect to comply within ten days after the decision shall have been duly made known to him in writing, under the Bishop's hand and seal, he shall be liable to suspension from the exercise of all ministerial duty, until he submits to the decision. And if the vestry of the Parish refuse or neglect to comply on their part, the said Parish shall be prohibited from a representation in the Convention of the Diocese, until they shall have performed their duty in accordance with the same. If the Diocese or Missionary District be without a Bishop, his office in the premises shall be performed by any neighboring Bishop whom the Standing Committee, on the application of either party, shall designate and invite for the occasion.

3. The Committee recommend that the 34th Canon of 1832, remain without alteration at this time.

4. The Committee recommend that the 10th Canon of 1853 be amended by the addition of the words, "if there be such residue," at the end of the 4th Section; and by altering Section 7th to read, (See p 172)

SECTION 7. Canon X. of 1853 is hereby repealed and that the Canon, so amended, be adopted, as Canon of 1856.

And also the following:

CANON

Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.

SECTION 1. When a Clergyman has been absent from his Diocese during two years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he

shall be required by the Bishop to declare in writing the cause or causes of his absence; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if these are deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence, or until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or until he shall renounce the Ministry, according to Canon XXXVIII. of 1832. In the case of such suspension, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

SECTION 2. And when a Clergyman, who has thus been absent from his Diocese, shall so place himself beyond the reach of the ecclesiastical authority of the same, as that his place of residence cannot be known, the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, may, after due notice in one or more of the Church papers, proceed to suspend him from the Ministry, which suspension shall continue, until he shall have renewed his residence, and made satisfaction to the ecclesiastical authority of the same.

SECTION 3. Canon II. of 1841 is hereby repealed. (See p. 181.)

The Canon entitled "Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese," being under consideration, on motion of Bishop A. Potter, it was laid on the table and made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Bishop Otey,

Resolved, That all Canons relating to candidates for orders, and for ordination, be referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 207.)

On motion of Bishop Meade, seconded by Bishop Polk, it was

Resolved, To reconsider the Canon on Differences between Ministers and their Parishes. And on motion of Bishop A. Potter, the same was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 174.)

Bishop A. Potter, moved that the House adjourn at 12 o'clock. The ayes and nays being called, were as follows:

AYES.—Bishops McIlvaine, McCoskry, Polk, De Lancey, Elliott, Potter, Green, Whitehouse, Atkinson, Scott and Clark.—11.

NAYS.—Bishops Brownell, Meade, Hopkins, Doane, Otey, Kemper, Whittingham, A. Lee, Johns, Eastburn, Hawks, Freeman, Burgess, Upfold, Williams, Davis, H. W. Lee, and H. Potter.—18.

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Bishop Whittingham, the order of the day, being the consideration of the report of the Commission on the Memorial, was postponed. (See p. 178.)

On motion of Bishop Green, it was

Resolved, That the Canon on Episcopal Residence, be committed to a select Committee of three, with the view of ascertaining whether there be any immediate and unavoidable necessity for its passage.

The Committee appointed under this resolution, were Bishops Brownell, Meade and Hopkins. (See p. 174.)

Bishop Whittingham called up Message No. 6, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See Seventh Day.)

And on motion, it was

Resolved, That this House concur in the proposed amendment of Art. III. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

Message No. 7, (see Seventh Day,) was called up, and on motion of Bishop H. W. Lee, the said Message was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Bishop Scott proposed the following amendment to Canon X. of 1853.

In SECTION 5, in the proviso, erase the following words immediately after the word Canon:

"Shall be the ecclesiastical authority of the jurisdiction of the said Missionary Bishop during the vacancy of the Episcopate thereof."

On motion of Bishop Whittingham, the report of the Committee on Canons was taken from the table, and on motion of Bishop Scott, the proposed amendment of Canon X. of 1853, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Bishop Otey moved the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that the order at the end of the collection of hymns in metre in these words, "Whenever the hymns are used at the celebration of Divine Service, a certain portion or portions of the Psalms of David, in metre, shall also be sung," be repealed, and also the verse immediately preceding the said rubric in these words:

Come, let us adore Him;
Come bow at his feet,
O, give Him the glory,
The praise that is meet.
Let joyful hosannas unceasing arise,
And join the full chorus that gladdens the skies.

Which, on motion, was laid on the table. (See p. 177.)

On motion of Bishop Whittingham, it was

Resolved, That the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, be the proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution. (p. 173.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

TENTH DAY'S SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 11th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The order of the day being the Canon on the absence of Ministers from their Parishes, after some discussion was on motion laid on the table.

On motion of Bishop Burgess it was

Resolved, That the Canon proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on the subject of the residence of Bishops within their Dioceses, having, through the pressure of other business upon this House, and a consequent inadvertence, become, while still in the hands of a special Committee of this House, part of the law of the Church, a Committee of conference be appointed to confer with any Committee which may be appointed on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a view to some arrangement which may still bring the subject within the cognisance of this House.

The chair appointed Bishops Smith, A. Potter, and Burgess, the Committee on the part of this House. (See p. 176.)

Bishop Whittingham called up the order of the day, being the proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution.

On motion the order of the day was suspended to receive the following report from the special Committee on the motion of Bishop Green. (see 9th day).

"The special Committee on the Canon of Episcopal Residence report, that in their unanimous opinion there ought to be either in that or some other form, an expression of the mind of the House of Bishops, in relation to the subject."

T. C. BROWNELL,
WM. MEADE,
JNO. H. HOPKINS.

Which on motion of Bishop Upfold was laid on the table.

The following Message was received, and on motion laid on the table.

MESSAGE No. 9.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions that it is proposed to alter the Third Article of the Constitution as follows.

ARTICLE III.

"Whenever General Conventions are held, the Bishops of this Church shall form a separate House, with the right to originate and prepare acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, and all acts must pass both Houses."

The following Message was also received, and on motion laid on the table.

MESSAGE No. 10.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the next meeting of the General Convention of this Church, be held in the City of Richmond, "Virginia."

On motion of Bishop McIlvaine it was

Resolved, That the standing rule of this House to adjourn at 12 on Saturday, be reconsidered.—

And it was on motion of Bishop McIlvaine

Resolved, That the House adjourn this day at one o'clock.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 11.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed unanimously the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a joint Committee be raised to inquire into the expediency of instituting councils of conciliation for the adjustment of questions which may arise between any Bishop and his Convention, any Parish in his Jurisdiction or any other Bishop, and that it has appointed on the part of this House, the Rev'd Dr. Hawks of New York, the Rev'd Dr. Mead of Connecticut, Rev'd Mr. Trapier of South Carolina, Mr. H. D. Evans of Maryland, and Mr. D. H. Conrad of Virginia.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 12.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informs the House of Bishops, that it has agreed to the proposed appointment of a Committee of Conference on the Canon "of Episcopal Residence," and has appointed on the part of this House, the Rev'd Dr. Vinton of Massachusetts, the Rev'd. Dr. Stevens of Pennsylvania, the Rev'd Dr. Hanckel of South Carolina, Mr. E. F. Chambers of Maryland, and Mr. Murray Hoffman of New York. (See p. 176.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY, October 13th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as at the last meeting.

On motion

Resolved, That the reading of the minutes be postponed until half past one o'clock.

Bishop Kemper presented his triennial report which was read and on motion.

Resolved, That the said report be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Presiding Bishop announced the Standing Committee on Records. Bishop De Lancey, Bishop Whittingham, and Bishop A. Lee.

Bishop A. Potter presented a memorial which, under the rule of the House was referred to the Standing Committee on Memorials. (See p. 178.)

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The order of the day, being the 1st resolution reported by the Commission on the Memorial, being under consideration,

Bishop Whittingham moved the following addition as an amendment of the same.

"The Bishops having no intention, by the expression of this opinion, to sanction, the disuse of either of the services in question."

Pending the discussion, the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY'S SESSION.

TUESDAY, October 14th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

Bishop Smith, Chairman of the Committee, read the following report:

"The Committee of this House, appointed to confer with a like Committee on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, upon the subject of a Canon upon Episcopal Residence which had become a Law through inadvertence, beg leave to report, that they have had such conference, and having failed to agree upon any remedy to be suggested, beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject."

And on motion of Bishop A. Potter, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Bishop Smith presented the following Canon, which on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

CANON.

Of Episcopal Residence.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within the limits of his own jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. If, six months after this Canon becomes a Law, or in case of a Bishop hereafter consecrated, six months after his consecration, he shall fail or refuse to do so, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs, or to which he has been appointed, to report the facts of the case to the Presiding Bishop, who thereupon, shall summon five of the Bishops nearest to said Diocese, to meet and make such decision as, in their wisdom may seem best.

SECTION 3. Should the Bishop decline or refuse to abide by such decision, the Presiding Bishop, after suitable delay, shall proceed to suspend him from his office until he do reside; or should the Convention of the Diocese concerned, decline or refuse to abide by said decision, it shall for the time being, be deprived of the right of Representation in General Convention.

SECTION 4. Canon of 1856 is hereby repealed. (See p. 181.)

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following report:

REPORT IN PART OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on unfinished business beg leave to report the following as unfinished business originating in the last General Convention.

1. A Committe to prepare a Prayer Book in the Spanish language. Bishop A. Potter, Chairman.—See Journal of 1853, page 180. (p. 177

2. A proposition to appoint a joint Committee to enquire into the expediency of arranging the existing Dioceses and Missionary jurisdictions into Provinces.—Journal of 1853, pp. 197, 229.

3. Resolution of Bishop De Lancy, respecting the office of Presiding Bishop, with substitute proposed by Bishop A. Potter.—Journal of 1853, pp. 209, 229.

4. A resolution for a joint Committee on the friendly and catholic relations between the Church of England and the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Committee were appointed on the part of this House—Journal of 1853, pp. 168, 228.

5. A resolution requesting the Presiding Bishop to correspond with the Arch-bishop of Canterbury on the subject of the transfer of Clergymen from one Church to another.—Journal of 1853, p. 234

6. A Committee on the jurisdiction of Foreign Missionary Bishops to sit during the recess. This Committee has made one report at the present session.—Journal of 1853, p. 205.

7. A proposed amendment to Article II., of the Constitution, requiring the Lay Delegates to the General Convention to be communicants.

8. The proposed amendment to Article V. of the Constitution on the subject of division of Dioceses.

B. B. SMITH,
ALFRED LEE,
MANTON EASTBURN.

Bishop A. Potter, Chairman of the Committee on the Spanish Prayer Book, reported progress, and asked to be continued, which request was on motion granted. p. 190.)

Bishop Doane, Chairman of the Committee on the friendly and catholic relations between the Church of England and her dependencies and the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, reported progress, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, which request, was on motion, granted.

Bishop Cobbs, Chairman of the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report:

"The Committee on the Prayer Book to whom was referred the Resolutions from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in reference to Church Music, would report that they have had the matter under consideration, and fully concur in the suggestions contained in said resolution. They think it would greatly add to the beauty and solemnity of our worship, and essentially tend to the edification of our people, if there were more uniformity and simplicity in the Music of the Church. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution, viz:

Resolved, That a Committee of three Persons skilled in sacred Music, be appointed to prepare or to adopt, a Book of Psalm and Hymn Tunes, Chants and Anthems, adapted to the present authorized Metre, Psalms and Hymns, Canticles, Portions of the Psalter and other parts of Holy Scripture, with a Preface containing suggestions as to the best means of promoting a more simple, devotional and general uniform singing of the Praises of Almighty God in our congregations. The Book, if ready for publication before the meeting of the next General Convention to be submitted to the Bishops of this Church, and if approved of by a majority of them to be published with their sanction."

Which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the selection of Richmond, Va., as the place of meeting of the next General Convention.

Bishop Polk, Chairman of the Committee on Memorials, made the following report, which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

The Committee on Memorials beg leave to report:

That in reference to the communication of P. L. Perkins, they recommend that it be read by the Secretary, so that each Bishop may act as he thinks proper in regard to the proposal of the writer.

That the prayer of the Rev. Joseph S. Large, of the Diocese of California, asks for action which is not within the limits of the jurisdiction of this House, so that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

That the prayer of John C. Jacobi, upon the subject of Missions to the Jews, be referred to the Committee on Missions.

That the memorial of A. W. Hayter, organist, etc., of Boston, on the subject of alterations in the services of the Book of Common Prayer, be referred to the Committee on the Memorial of Dr. Muhlenberg and other Presbyters.

That the memorial of John Hecker, Proprietor, and Thomas Ramsay, Editor of the Churchman, requesting permission to have a reporter present in this House, to report its proceedings, proposes a measure, which in the judgment of the Committee is inexpedient; that is, it is incompatible with the informal consultations and usages of this House, to grant the petition of the Memorialists.

The Committee report also, that they have sundry memorials from the Dioceses of New Jersey, New York, and Maryland, praying for an expression of an opinion on the part of this House, in relation to certain alleged deviations from established usages in the celebration of public worship, asking that it give to the Church at large an authoritative construction of the various Rubrics involved. They proceed also to set forth a number of instances illustrative of such deviations. The Committee are of opinion that serious difficulties might arise from an attempt to enforce absolute uniformity in regard to many of such details, and that an attempt on the part of the House to effect that, might result in a practical infringement of the rights of administration belonging to the Heads of the respective Dioceses. They are of opinion, therefore, that the regulation of such details is already provided for in the duties, and responsibilities with which every Bishop is charged by the act of his consecration, in the oversight and administration of his Diocese, and they therefore deem it inexpedient to comply with the prayer of the petitioners.

The Committee report they have received a memorial from certain members of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, New Jersey.

The petitioners pray for relief from the operation 4th Section, Canon 9th, 1853.

This section requires the consent of the rector of any parish, before another parish can be formed within its boundaries.

In case the Rector shall decline giving his consent, the parties desiring the formation of such parish may appeal to the Bishop of the Diocese, and in case the Bishop refuses his consent, they may appeal from the Bishop to the Convention of the Diocese. It does not appear from the narrative of the memorialists, that they have availed themselves of this last provision of relief afforded by the existing Canon, and until they have exhausted its provisions, further legislation appears to be unnecessary.

LEONIDAS POLK,
Chairman of the Committee.

Bishop Whittingham called up the proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution, (see 10th day, p. 173,) which, after discussion, was adopted by the following vote:

AYES.—Bishops Brownell, Meade, Smith, Kemper, Whittingham, A. Lee, Cobbs, Freeman, A. Potter, Burgess, Upfold, Green, Williams, Atkinson, Scott, H. Potter, and Clark.—17.

NAYS.—Bishops Hopkins, McIlvaine, Doane, Otey, McCoskry, Polk, De Lancey, Johns, Eastburn, Chase, Hawks, Whitehouse, Davis, and H. W. Lee.—14.

Bishop Whittingham gave notice of his intention to move an amendment of Article V. of the Constitution. (See p. 204.)

Message No. 9, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, (see 10th day, p. 173,) was called up, and on motion of Bishop A. Lee, the House concurred in the proposed amendment of Article III. of the Constitution.

The following Message was received:

MESSAGE No. 13.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has ratified on its part the following proposed amendment as Article II. of the Constitution.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the clergy and the laity. Such representation shall consist of not more than four clergymen and four laymen, Communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the clerical and lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint clerical deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint lay deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed, should neglect to attend or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies

as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no deputies, either lay or clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church, in such Dioceses shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

On motion of Bishop Johns, this House concurred with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in ratifying the proposed amendment of Article II. of the Constitution.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 14.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be passed, to be entitled,

OF EPISCOPAL VISITATIONS.

SECT. 1. Every Bishop shall visit the Churches within his Diocese, at least once in every three years (unless prevented by physical inability,) for the purpose of examining the State of the Church, inspecting the behavior of his clergy, administering the apostolic rite of Confirmation; ministering the Word; and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

SECT. 2. To enable the Bishop who may be Rector of a Church to make the aforesaid visitation, it shall be the duty of the clergy in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of every Diocese to make provision for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop in such visitations.

SECT. 4. The Bishop shall keep a Register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

SECT. 5. Canon 4 of 1850 is hereby repealed.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 184.)

Bishop Scott submitted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Territories of Kansas and Nebraska, be and are hereby constituted a Missionary District, according to the provisions of Canon X. of 1853.

Resolved, That this House will proceed, at o'clock, to nominate a suitable person to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to exercise the functions of a Missionary Bishop of this Church in said District.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, were laid on the table for the present. See p. 189.)

On motion of Bishop Whittingham, it was

Resolved, That the order of the day be laid on the table, in order to take up the report of the Committee on Canons.

Bishop Hopkins presented the following report:

The Committee on Canons present the following report, on the several subjects laid before them, by the order of the House of Bishops, and recommend for adoption the following resolution:

1. *Resolved*, That no action be taken on the proposed Canon of the Residence of Bishops, inasmuch as the Canon passed on that subject by the House of Deputies, has become a law, and has the concurrence of the House of Bishops.

2. *Resolved*, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in the Canon of Episcopal Visitation, with the amendment of the first section by the addition of the words, "to the people committed to this charge," which words are a part of the present Canon on that subject.

3. The Committee recommend that no action be taken on the proposed Canon of Differences between Ministers and their Congregation, as they consider the present Canon sufficient.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, it was

Resolved, To amend the first resolution, by striking out the words "and has the concurrence of this House."

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, the remaining resolutions of the report of the Committee on Canons, were laid on the table for the present. (See p. 182.)

The order of the day, the report of the Commission on the Memorial, being under consideration, Bishop Whittingham called up his amendment to the first resolution, and moved its adoption. Lost. (See pp. 168, and 171.)

The question was then taken on the original resolution as amended by the motion of Bishop McIlvaine, (see 8th day, p. 168,) and the yeas and nays having been called, it was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS.—Bishops Brownell, Meade, McIlvaine, Doane, Otey, McCoskry, Polk, Elliott, Lee, Johns, Chase, Hawks, Potter Burgess, Green, Williams, Whitehouse, Davis, Atkinson, H. W. Lee, and Clark.—21.

NAYS.—Bishops Hopkins, Kemper, De Lancey, Whittingham, Eastburn, Freeman, Upfold, and H. Potter.—8.

The following Message was received:

MESSAGE No. 15.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Bishops in adopting and ratifying the proposed amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, as transmitted to this House in Message 8th from the House of Bishops this morning. (See p. 195.)

The hour for adjournment having arrived, on motion the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 15th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Smith having been absent when the vote was taken on the final adoption of the first resolution reported by the Commission on the Memorial, asked leave to record his vote on the same, which request was, on motion granted.

Bishop Smith voted aye.

Bishop Cobbs having also been absent on the same occasion, made a similar request, which on motion was granted.

Bishop Cobbs voted aye.

Bishop Scott asked leave to record his vote on the first resolution proposed by the Commission on the Memorial, which request was on motion granted. (See p. 185.)

Bishop Scott voted aye.

The report of the Committee on Canons (see 12th day) was called up, and on motion of Bishop A. Potter, the first resolution as amended, was adopted.

The second resolution being under consideration, Bishop Potter moved to strike out the addition proposed by the Committee on Canons as an amendment. Lost.

Bishop Elliot moved the following amendment:

Resolved, That the words "each church" be stricken out, and the words "the Churches" be restored in the Canon.

Pending the discussion, the hour for the order of the day arrived.

The following Message was received.

MESSAGE, No. 16.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a joint Committee of two of each House be appointed to prepare and lay before the next General Convention, a Digest of the Canons of the Church, under appropriate Titles, Canons, and Sections.

The Rev'd Dr. Hawks and Mr. Hoffman of New York as the Committee on the part of this House were appointed.

Bishop Otey moved to amend the second resolution by inserting the words "not otherwise provided for," after the word services. Adopted.

Bishop Whittingham moved, in line 109 printed report, after the words, "discretion" to insert "subject to such restrictions as the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may prescribe." Lost.

Bishop Whittingham moved that the second resolution be changed into the form of a Canon. Lost.

Bishop Scott moved the substitution of the resolution as originally reported by the Committee, and amended by Bishop McIlvaine's motion, in place of the resolution subsequently reported by the Commission. Lost.

The question was then taken by ayes and nays, and the second resolution in the following form was adopted.

2. That on special occasions, or, at extraordinary services, not otherwise provided for, Ministers may at their discretion use such parts of the Book of Common Prayer, and such Lessons of Holy Scripture, as shall in their judgment tend most to edification.

Ayes.—Bishops Brownell, Meade, Hopkins, Smith, McIlvaine, Doane, Otey, Kemper, McCoskry, Polk, Elliott, A. Lee, Johns, Eastburn, Chase, Cobbs, Hawks, A. Potter, Burgess, Green, Williams, Whitehouse, Davis, Atkinson, Scott, H. W. Lee, and Clark—27.

Nays.—Bishops De Lancy, Whittingham, Freeman, Upfold, and H. Potter.—5.

Bishop Whittingham submitted a protest.

Bishop Smith moved that it be received and entered on the Journal.

Bishop Hopkins moved to lay the motion of Bishop Smith on the table until tomorrow. Adopted. (See p. 204.)

The hour for adjournment having arrived, on motion the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 16th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Canon on Episcopal Visitations being under consideration, the question on the adoption of the amendment proposed by Bishop Elliott, (see 13th day,) was taken, and lost. (See p. 187.)

Bishop A. Potter moved a reconsideration of the question on the amendment of Bishop Elliott, adopted.

On motion of Bishop Johns, the subject was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Bishop Smith, it was

Resolved, To take up the third resolution, relating to Canon 34 of 1832, as proposed by the Committee on Canons.

Bishop Smith moved to take up the Canon on Differences between Ministers and their Parishes. Lost.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, read and laid on the table for the present.

MESSAGE No. 17.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this Convention will adjourn sine die, on Tuesday next, the 21st instant, at one o'clock.

The amendment offered by Bishop Elliott, was then considered, and on motion adopted.

Bishop McIlvaine moved, that the House non-concur with with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the adoption of the proposed Canon of Episcopal Visitation. Lost.

Bishop Upfold moved, in Section 3, to strike out the words "Convention of the Diocese," and insert, "Minister and Vestry of the Church or Congregation, unless otherwise provided for." Lost.

On motion of Bishop Polk, it was

Resolved, To reconsider the amendment offered by Bishop Elliott.

Bishop Elliott withdrew his amendment, and the final question was taken by ayes and nays. On the motion of Bishop McCoskry to concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the adoption of the Canon in the form transmitted to this House, and lost.

AYES.—Bishops Hopkins, Kemper, McCoskry, Whittingham, Chase, Freeman, A. Potter, Burgess, Upfold, Green, Williams, Davis, Atkinson, H. Potter and Clark.—15.

NAYS.—Bishops Brownell, Meade, Smith, McIlvaine, Doane, Otey, Polk, De Lancey, Elliott, A. Lee, Johns, Eastburn, Cobbs, Hawks, Whitehouse, Scott, and H. W. Lee.—17.

On motion of Bishop Meade, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to assign the reason for the non-concurrence of this House, and that the same be transmitted by the Secretary to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Meade and McIlvaine said Committee.

The Committee presented the following report:

"The Committee appointed to send to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the reasons of this House for not concurring in the Canon from that House on the subject of Episcopal Visitations, report, that they have sent the following as the reason of this House, viz.: "That we deem the Canon under that title already existing, sufficient for securing the proper visitation of the several Parishes by the Bishops."

W. MEADE,
C. P. McILVAINE.

On motion of Bishop Otey,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops will resolve itself into a Council at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, under Canon II. of 1847.

The hour for the order of the day, being the report of the Commission on the Memorial, having arrived,

Bishop Whittingham again submitted a protest against the act of the House adopting the second resolution, (see 13th day, p. 183,) which, on motion of Bishop A. Lee, was received and ordered on file.

Bishop Upfold also submitted a protest against the same action of the House, which, on motion, was likewise received and ordered on file. (See p. 192.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 18.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted:

CANON

Of the Expenses of General Conventions.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifty-fourth of 1832, the eighth of 1835, the tenth of 1838, the first of 1844, and the fifteenth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. In order that the contingent expenses of General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meetings of the General Convention, two dollars for each clergyman within said Diocese.

SECTION 2. Canon XV. of 1853 is hereby repealed. (See p. 197.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, which was read and laid on the table for the present:

MESSAGE No. 19.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has on its part appointed the persons named in the accompanying list, to be a Board of Missions for the ensuing three years, the same being the persons nominated by the joint Committee appointed for that purpose.

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Members for Three Years.

CLERGY.

Rev. N. B. Crocker, D. D., Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D. D., Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D.,Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D., Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D., Rev. F. L. Hawks, D. D., LL. D., Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D. D., Rev. J. H. Morrison, Rev. T. C. Pitkin, Rev. S. L. Southard, Rev. A. C. Coxe, Rev. M. H. Henderson, D. D., Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rev. C. P. Gadsden, Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, D. D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D. D., Rev. W. R. Nicholson, Rev. Benj. Watson, Rev. Alex. Burgess, Rev. N. E. Marble, D. D., Rev. Geo. B. Manser, D. D., Rev. J. S. Copley Greene, Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, Rev. Benj. I. Haight, D. D., Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rev. Andrew B. Patterson, D. D., Rev. Henry J. Morton, D. D., Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D. D., Rev. Charles Minnegerode, D. D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., Rev. James H. Elliott, Rev. G. H. Clark, Rev. Wm. W. Bourns, Rev. Henry C. Lay, Rev. Wm. W. Lord, Rev. Chas. Goodrich, D. D., Rev. Chas. Gillette, Rev. Chas. Tomes, Rev. James Craik, D. D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D. D., Rev. J. C. Talbot, D. D., Rev. Robt. H. Clarkson, D. D., Rev. F. J. Clerc, Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. David Keene, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. Wm. H. Hill, Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D. D., Rev. Wm. S. Childs, Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, Rev. F. Vinton, D. D., Rev. Wm. H. Lewis, D. D., Rev. Samuel Buel, Rev. Robt. N. Merritt, Rev. Samuel Bowman, D. D., Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D. D., Rev. Wm. C. Williams, Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, Rev. Geo. D. Cumming, Rev. C. K. Nelson, Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D. D., Rev. W. A. Muhlenberg, D. D., Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham, Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D.

LAITY.

Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. E. F. Chambers, Mr. R. H. Gardiner, Mr. S. H. Huntington, Mr. C. G. Meminger, Mr. G. M. Wharton, Mr. R. B. Minturn, Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, Mr. T. H. Wright, M.D., Mr. S. J. Donaldson, Mr. James Bridge, Mr. Simeon Ide, Mr. Sylvester Demming, Mr. Robt. Mason, Mr. Alexander Duncan, Mr. Wm. T. Lee, Mr. J. H. Swift, Mr. Horatio Seymour, Mr. Richard W. Howell, Mr. John Bohlen, Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, Mr. James Potter, Mr. John D. Phelan, Mr. Geo. Whitfield, Mr. William C. Smedes, Mr. John L. Lobdell, Mr. C. B. Nichols, Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. A. H. Churchill, Mr.

John W. Andrews, Mr. Joseph M. Moore, Mr. John H. Kenzie, Mr. John A. Talbot, M.D., Mr. Henry P. Baldwin, Mr. J. A. Helfenstein, Mr. Geo. B. Sargent, Mr. Edw. Stanley, Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. B. T. Nichols, Mr. Bushrod Birch, Mr. J. C. Hollister, Mr. Henry McFarlan, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Joseph S. Colt, Mr. Francis Wharton, Mr. Ch. C. Trowbridge, Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Stephen C. Cambreleng, Mr. Robert H. Ives.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. DOANE,
Chairman Com. House of Bishops.

WM. BACON STEVENS,
Chairman Com. House, &c.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 20.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution, reported by the Committee on a Standard Edition of the Holy Bible.

Resolved, That a competent person be appointed by this Convention to correct typographical errors in the authorized translation of the Holy Scriptures, referring to the present Standard Edition.

Which was read and laid on the table for the present.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 21.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to unite with a Committee of the House of Bishops, in the nomination of a competent person to make the typographical corrections in the Standard Edition of the Holy Scriptures, as proposed in the reported resolutions from the Committee on the Standard Edition of the Bible.

Committee on the part of this House: the Rev'd Dr. Meade, the Rev'd Chas. Tomes, Mr. Josiah Collins. (See p. 206.)

Which was read and laid on the table for the present.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 22.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House do insist upon the Canon, entitled "Of Episcopal Visitations," as originally transmitted by them to the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference be appointed on the part of this House, upon the proposed Canon above mentioned.

The House appointed to serve upon this Committee, the Rev'd Dr. Hawks, the Rev'd Dr. Hanckel, Messrs. Isaac F. Redfield, E. F. Chambers, and Wm. Appleton. (See p. 196.)

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this House appoint a Committee of three to act as a joint Committee of Conference with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in relation to the Canon of Episcopal Visitations.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Hopkins, Otey and Alfred Lee, said Committee.

On motion of Bishop Doane, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs in the election of the Board of Missions for the ensuing three years as made by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Resolution No. 8, reported by the Commission on the Memorial, being under consideration, Bishop Otey moved its adoption.

Bishop Whittingham moved that it be changed into the form of a Canon. Lost.

On motion of Bishop Scott, it was

Resolved, To substitute the word "shall" for do.

And the question being taken on its final passage, the resolution was adopted as follows:

III. "That the Bishops of the several Dioceses may provide such special services as in their judgment shall be required by the peculiar spiritual necessities of any class or portion of the population within said Dioceses; provided, that such services shall not take the place of the services or offices of the book of Common Prayer in congregations capable of its use."

The fourth resolution being under consideration, the hour for adjournment arrived, and on motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 17th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, except the Presiding Bishop. The minutes were read and approved. Bishop Meade stated that the Presiding Bishop would be unable to attend the sittings of the House during the remainder of the session.

The Secretary read the following communication from the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

Rev'd L. P. W. Balch, D.D., Secretary of the House of Bishops.

Rev'd and Dear Sir:

I transmit to the House of Bishops, a copy of the following resolution adopted by the Board of Missions at a meeting held this day.

Very respectfully,

P. VAN PELT, *Secretary of the Board.*

Philadelphia, October 16, 1856.

Resolved, That this Board respectfully request the House of Bishops to consider the expediency of constituting a new Missionary jurisdiction in the North West, to be composed of the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, was laid on the table for the present. (See p. 192.)

Bishop Polk, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Memorials, presented the following report:

They have received a communication enclosing an invitation to the House of Bishops to visit the Academy of Natural Sciences, which they propose shall be read by the Secretary, and accepted by the House.

They have received a communication also from the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of the Church of the Advent, Boston, setting forth the relations existing between the Minister, Parish, and the Bishop of this Diocese, as exhibited in an accompanying copy of a correspondence between the parties. The petitioners pray for relief, from certain deprivations of Episcopal Visitation, and to which they have been subjected by a decision of their Bishop.

The Committee are of opinion that this is one of a class of cases requiring to be managed with great care, so as to secure the legitimate rights of Rectors and Parishes on the one hand, with a due regard to the just authority and oversight of the heads of Dioceses on the other.

They believe the case in question beyond the cure of special legislation, and that it should be disposed of by some general provision. Such a provision they think might be found in the establishment of a Court of Appeals, or Council of Bishops, as a tribunal of last resort, to which cases of this and like character, may be referred for final adjustment. The history of the Church for the last few years, clearly points to the establishment of such a tribunal, as furnishing the only satisfactory solution for a class of cases, which we may expect naturally to multiply with the extension and increase of the Church.

As the Committee believe that a Canon for the establishment of some such tribunal may be framed, so as to meet the case under consideration, it is of the opinion that special legislation in regard to it is inexpedient.

The Committee also recommend for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the communication of Mr. Jacobi be referred to the Committee on Missions.

Resolved, That the communication of Mr. Hayter be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Resolved, That the Rev'd J. S. Large have leave to withdraw his petition.

Which on motion were adopted.

The report of the Committee on the Prayer Book (See 12th day) was called up, and on motion, the resolution proposed by the Committee was adopted.

Bishop Hopkins asked to be excused from serving on the Committee of Conference, respecting the Canon of Episcopal Visitations, and on motion the request was granted and the Chairman appointed Bishop Polk on said Committee.

On motion of Bishop Otey the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 23.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, the following Canon be adopted.

CANON

Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the Office of Diocesan Bishop.

SECTION 1. When a Diocese, entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan, a Missionary Bishop of this Church; if such election have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same, so that the Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

SECTION 2. If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.:—The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing, shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops, and a majority of the Standing Committees, in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of each vacant Diocese, which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

SECTION 3. Canon III. of 1841 is hereby repealed.

MESSAGE No. 24.

The House of Clerical and Day Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has on its part confirmed the nominations of the respective Dioceses of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, as presented in the report of the Standing Committee of this House on the General Theological Seminary, appended to this Message. (See Journal of House of Deputies, p. 110.)

Bishop Otey submitted the following report:

The Committee on Missions, on the part of this House, having had under consideration the Triennial Report of the Board of Missions, and also the report of the Bishops, appointed to correspond with the Archbishop of Canterbury, on the subject of conflicting jurisdictions in China, beg leave to report:

That, in the opinion of this Committee, no further action is required at present in regard to the business committed to the Bishops appointed to correspond with the Archbishop of Canterbury, and recommend that the correspondence of the Bishops with the Archbishop of Canterbury, and their report on the same, be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and on motion made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at half past nine.

MESSAGE No. 25.

The House of Clerical and Day Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the view of the Church, herewith presented, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, soliciting their prayers and blessing, and requesting that they will draw up and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. (See p. 197.)

Message No. 17 was called up, and on motion,

Resolved, That this House do non-concur and ask for a Committee of Conference on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Committee appointed on the part of this House, Bishops De Lancey, Polk, and Freeman.

Bishop Doane presented the following report:

The Committee to whom the consideration of the whole subject of the Foreign Missionary work of this Church, was referred at the last General Convention with instructions to confer and consult with the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, and to sit in the recess of the Convention, respectfully report that they have made progress in the work entrusted to them, and ask to be continued with a view to its further progress and completion.

Which request was on motion granted.

The order of the day being under consideration, the 4th resolution reported by the Commission on the Memorial

was, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, adopted in t following form:

IV. *Resolved*, That in view of the desirableness of union amon Christians, and as a pledge of willingness to communicate or rece information tending to that end; and in order to conference, if oc sion or opportunity should occur, this House will appoint by ballc Committee of five Bishops as an organ of communication or confere with such Christian bodies or individuals as may desire it, to be enti the Commission on Church Unity.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, the following resoluti was adopted:

V. *Resolved*, That in making the above appointment, it is distin understood that the Commission is clothed with no authority to mat plans of union with other Christian bodies or to propound exposit of doctrine or discipline. (See p. 204.)

Bishop Otey moved the adoption of the several reco mendations of the Commission on the Memorial. (See A pendix, K.

Which, on motion of Bishop Potter, was laid on t table. (See p. 204.)

On motion of Bishop De Lancey,

Resolved, That this House will hold a Session every evening, at o'clock, except on Saturday, when the House will adjourn at 3 P. for the day.

Bishop McIlvaine moved to take up Canon XLV. of 18 Lost.

The form of Prayers reported by the Commission bei under consideration,

On motion of Bishop Elliott the subject was laid on t table until Monday.

On motion the House took a recess until 7½ P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Bishop Scott called up his motion, made on the 1! day, proposing to constitute Kansas and Nebraska a se rate Missionary jurisdiction—together with the resolut transmitted to this house, by the Secretary of the Board Missions, asking the House of Bishops to consider the ex diency of the same measure.

Bishop Upfold moved to divide the resolution propo by Bishop Scott.

Bishop A. Potter submitted the following preamble a resolutions:

WHEREAS, the interests of the Church seem to require that more active Missionary operations be made in the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas, and experience has shown that to this end, the early extension of the Episcopate is important, if not indispensable—and

WHEREAS, The Missionary Bishop of the North West has signified his readiness to co-operate in any measures which this House may in its wisdom judge to be expedient—and

WHEREAS The Board of Missions has requested this House to consider the expediency of constituting a new Missionary jurisdiction to be composed of Nebraska and Kansas—therefore,

Resolved, That Nebraska and Kansas be and hereby are erected into a distinct Missionary jurisdiction.

Resolved, That this House will proceed on Monday, the 20th inst., at 7½ P. M., to receive nominations for the office of Missionary Bishop in Kansas and Nebraska, and that at 11 o'clock, on Tuesday the 21st, the House will proceed under the Canon to nominate such Bishop to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Atkinson moved to postpone the subject. Lost.

The preamble and resolutions were then on motion adopted.

The following messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, which were read and laid on the table for the present.

MESSAGE No. 26.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House appoint a Committee of Conference to meet the Committee appointed by the House of Bishops, on the non concurrence of the two Houses in regard to the time of adjournment *sine die*. (See p. 195.)

This House appoints the Rev'd Drs. Mead and Burroughs, Rev'd Mr. Trapier, and Messrs. J. Pringle Smith and F. B. Fogg.

MESSAGE No. 27.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed on its part the following Canon, and asks the concurrence of the House of Bishops.

CANON.

Of the abandonment of the Communion of the Church, by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon.

SECTION 1. If any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canons II. and V. of 1850, either by an open renunciation of the doctrines, discipline and worship of this Church or by a formal admission into any religious body not in Communion with this Church, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact, in case of a Bishop, to the Presiding Bishop, in case of a Presbyter or Deacon, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese, which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken, and deemed an equivalent to a renunciation of the ministry by the Minister himself.

Notice shall then be given to said Minister by the Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall within six months make declaration, that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the ministry of this Church.

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the ministry, and to pronounce and record in the presence of two or more Clergymen, that he has been so deposed.

SECTION 2. Canons I. and II. of 1853 are hereby repealed.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 28.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the arrangement presented in the document annexed of "Canons respecting Ordination"—and of Canon A. "Of Clerical Residence and Removal," and Canon B. "Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches"—and on its part enacted them in this form, and asks the concurrence of the House of Bishops. (See Journal of House of Deputies, p. 90.)

Which were read and referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion the House adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 18th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Message No. 25 was called up, and the report on the state of the Church was read by the Secretary. (See Appendix, A., p. 213.)

On motion of Bishop McCoskry, it was

Resolved, To reconsider the resolution adopted on the fifteenth day's session, constituting Nebraska and Kansas a distinct Missionary jurisdiction. (See p. 196.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 29.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the appended Canon "Of the Trial of Bishops," and asks the concurrence of the House of Bishops. (See Journal of House of Deputies, p. 82, and Amendments, pp. 119, 120.)

Which, on motion of Bishop Hawks, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The Committee appointed by this House to confer with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in relation to the adjournment *sine die* of the General Convention, report that the joint Committee agreed to recommend Tuesday evening the 21st inst. as the time of adjournment. And on motion, it was resolved, that this House concur in said report.

Message No. 16 was called up by Bishop Doane, and on motion, the House concurred with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the appointment of a joint Committee to prepare a digest of the Canons.

Committee on the part of this House, Bishops Hopkins and De Lancey.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 30.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution by substituting for the sixth article, the following article:

ARTICLE VI. "The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, but the General Convention may establish a Court of Appeals for the revision of the decisions of Diocesan Courts; such Court of Appeal not to revise the determination of any question of fact. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon."

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions. (See p. 208.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 31.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution, recommended by the Committee of Conference on the time of adjournment.

Resolved, That this Convention adjourn Tuesday evening the 21st October, *sine die*.

And on motion, it was

Resolved, That this House concur in the same.

Bishop A. Potter's preamble and resolution being under consideration. (See p. 193.)

Bishop Freeman moved the following substitute for the preamble and resolution submitted by Bishop A. Potter. (See 15th day.)

Resolved, That it is inexpedient, at this time to constitute Nebraska and Kansas into a separate Missionary district. Lost. (See p. 200)

The question was then again taken on the preamble and resolutions of Bishop Potter, and they were adopted.

The following Canon "Of Episcopal Visitation" was reported by the Committee of Conference:

CANON

Of Episcopal Visitation.

SECTION 1. Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese, at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church; inspecting the behavior of his clergy; administering the apostolic rite of confirmation; ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge. And if a Bishop shall decline, for more than three years, to visit a parish or congregation, for reasons which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall be the duty of the Rector or Minister and Vestry, or of one of them, to apply to the Presiding Bishop to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or congregation may be situated, to act as a council of conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the council in the premises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the parish or congregation above named may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the parish or congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop for a council of conciliation.

Provided, That if, by the action of the General Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a council or councils of conciliation for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind; then such a case as is above named shall be referred to such general council of conciliation, and the parties shall abide by its decision.

SECTION 2. To enable the Bishop who may be the Rector of a Church to make his official visitations, it shall be the duty of the clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

SECTION 3. It is left to each Diocese to make provision in such way as it may deem proper for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitations.

SECTION 4. The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

SECTION 5. Canon IV. of 1850 is hereby repealed. (See p. 197.)

And on motion of Bishop De Lancey, it was adopted.

Bishops Polk, Whittingham, Upfold, Williams and Scott, asked leave of absence for the rest of this day's session, which request was on motion granted.

Bishop Doane asked leave of absence for the rest of the session; and Bishop Burgess made a similar request on the ground of domestic affliction, and on motion, both requests were granted.

Message No. 18 was called up, and on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Canon of Expenses of General Convention, be amended by substituting "on or before September 1st, preceding the Sessions of the General Convention," in place of the words "at or before any meeting of the General Convention;" and that the Canon so amended be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

The House proceeded to ballot for three Bishops as a Committee to prepare the Pastoral Letter, and Bishops Meade, Hopkins and Smith, were elected. (See p. 203.)

Bishop De Lancey gave notice that on Monday, P. M., he should call up his resolutions offered at the last General Convention, and found on pp. 197, 228, and 229, of Journal 1853.

Message No. 23 (MISSIONARY BISHOPS,) was called up, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the House adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

SEVENTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY, October 20th, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as at the last meeting, except Bishops Doane and Burgess.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 32.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the Canon "Of Episcopal Visitations," [as reported by the joint Committee of Conference this morning,] in concurrence with the House of Bishops.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 33.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted, to be entitled "Of Councils of Conciliation."

SECTION 1. Whenever any difference shall arise between any two Bishops of this Church having jurisdiction respecting their relative rights and duties, or between any such Bishop and the Convention of his Diocese, or any Parish under his jurisdiction, it shall be lawful for either party, with the consent of the other, to apply to the Senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who is not interested in the matters for a Council of Conciliation.

SECTION 2. The Council shall be composed of three Bishops, two Clerical and two Lay Members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the last General Convention, to be selected by lot, to whom may be added as members, two male communicants of the Church of any order, one of whom may be named by each of the parties to the dispute.

SECTION 3. In order to the selection of those members who are to be drawn by lot, the Bishop called upon for the Council, shall proceed to draw by lot the names of three Dioceses from a vessel containing the names of the five Dioceses having Bishops entitled to sit in the House, whose residences are nearest to the place where the controversy arose; and the Bishop or Provisional Bishop of those Dioceses, or if the Diocesan Bishop of any one of them be disabled by age or infirmity, his Assistant Bishop, shall be the three Episcopal Members of the Council. The names of the Clerical Deputies of the last General Convention of the other two Dioceses, shall then be placed in one vessel, and those of the Lay Deputies in another, and one of each drawn, who, with the Bishops, and the nominees of the parties, shall constitute the Council.

SECTION 4. The Council shall meet at a time and place to be appointed by the Bishop who has drawn the lots, of which it shall be his duty to give notice to all persons concerned.

SECTION 5. The Council, when assembled, shall endeavor to reconcile on Christian principles, the conflicting views of the parties, and may, if they think proper, prepare a scheme, according to which, in their judgment, the questions in dispute ought to be settled, and communicate such scheme in writing, under the hands of those of them, who approve of it, to all persons interested.

Bishop De Lancey moved to take up Message No. 33 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to "Councils of Conciliation."

Bishop A. Potter moved that this House concur in the adoption of the Canon of "Councils of Conciliation," as a *substitute* for which,

On motion of Bishop Hopkins, it was

Resolved, To postpone further action on the said Canon until the next General Convention, and that a Message be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, assigning reasons for the postponement.

Bishop A. Potter presented a letter from Bishop Whitehouse, resigning his jurisdiction, which, on motion, was referred to Bishops Potter, Lee and Polk.

Message No. 28 was called up, and on motion of Bishop Upfold, the House concurred with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the arrangement of Canons, and also in enacting Canon A. (See Jour. House Dep. p. 90, 99.) Canon B., transmitted to this House in Message 28, being under consideration, Bishop De Lancey moved to amend Section 4, by inserting

SECTION 4. And if there be but one Diocese organized within his jurisdiction, the Missionary Bishop shall, when such Diocese is organized and admitted into union with the General Convention, become the Bishop thereof.

Lost.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 34.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House appoint a Committee of Conference on the Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation," transmitted by this House in Message No. 33, and in which the House of Bishops has not concurred, and that the House of Bishops be requested to appoint a Committee of Conference, on its part.

This House has appointed the following members, to serve on this Committee: Rev'd Drs. Meade and Francis Vinton, and Messrs. Battle, Evans and Conrad.

And on motion,

Resolved, That this House concur in the same. And Bishops Johns, Atkinson and H. Potter, were appointed a Committee of Conference on the part of this House.

Bishop Upfold moved the adoption of Canon B. Adopted.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met and the minutes of the sixteenth day were read and approved.

Bishop Kemper submitted the Triennial Report of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and on motion,

Resolved, That the same be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Johns, from the joint Committee of Conference, made the following report:

The Committee of Conference beg leave to report as the result of their consultation,

"That the House of Bishops have leave to withdraw their Message upon the subject of the Canon for a Council of Conciliation for the purpose of amending their Message to make it more expressive of their purpose in reference to said Canon.

Bishop Johns moved the following:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do not concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in reference to the Canon entitled "Of Councils of Conciliation," and that as the proposed Canon contemplates a new and very serious mode of action, and there is not time to give it, at the present session, the full consideration which it requires, that it be therefore postponed until the next General Convention.

Adopted.

Message No. 30 was called up, and on motion of Bishop Elliott, it was resolved to amend the proposed alteration by substituting the word "establish" for the word "constitute," and as so amended it was adopted.

Canon X. being under consideration, Bishop De Lancey moved to amend by adding to the fourth section the following:

"And is not under canonical investigation founded on any rumors adverse to his character."

Lost.

The Canon as proposed by the Committee was adopted.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, it was

Resolved, That the Canon "Of the trial of a Bishop," be made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Bishop A. Potter called for the order of the day, being nominations for Missionary Bishop to Nebraska and Kansas.

Which motion, Bishop Whittingham moved to lay on the table. Lost.

Bishop Polk nominated Dr. Jacob L. Clark, of Connecticut.

On motion, the House resolved itself into Council as Bishops.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 35.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That by virtue of the legacy of the late Mr. Kohne to the

General Theological Seminary, the Diocese of Pennsylvania be entitled to *five*, and the Diocese of South Carolina to *four*, additional Trustees of said Seminary.

Resolved, That in Article III. of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, after the words "eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum," to insert the following, "Absent Trustees may vote by proxy given to any Co-Trustee of the same Diocese."

Resolved, That in Article IV. after the words, "at such stated periods as they may determine," to insert the following, viz.: "There shall always be a meeting of the said Board at the time and place of the meeting of the General Convention."

MESSAGE No. 36.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the proposal of the House of Bishops to postpone the further consideration of the proposed Canon "Of Councils of Conciliation."

MESSAGE No. 37.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

1. *Resolved*, That this House concur in the amendments 1 and 2, proposed by the House of Bishops, in the Canon "Of the Trial of Bishops," transmitted by this House to the House of Bishops.

2. *Resolved*, That this House insist on the thirteenth paragraph of sixth section.

3. *Resolved*, That a Committee of Conference be appointed on the part of this House to confer with a similar Committee on the part of the House of Bishops, upon the above matter of disagreement.

The House of Deputies has appointed on its part, the Rev'd Drs. Meade, Hawks and Talbot, and Messrs. Henry P. Baldwin, and J. Pringle Smith. (See p. 208.)

MESSAGE No. 38.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has on its part repealed Canons I. and II. of 1853, and asks the concurrence of the House of Bishops. (See p. 206.

And on motion, the House adjourned.

EIGHTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

TUESDAY, October 21st, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Luke's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Bishop Meade, seconded by Bishop Kemper.

Resolved, That the Rev'd Dr. Hawks, conservator of the books, pamphlets and manuscripts relating to the history of the Episcopal Church in the United States, belonging to the General Convention and now in his possession, be and is hereby recommended to allow any person appointed for the purpose by the Bishop of any Diocese, to take a copy of any papers relating to the history of such Diocese, it being understood that such copy is to be for the use and ultimately to become the property of the Diocese in question.

Bishop Whittingham asked leave to give notice of his intention to enter on the Journal for the purpose of moving the adoption of the following resolution at the next General Convention:

Resolved, That a Commission of five Bishops be appointed to inquire into the practicability and expediency of concerted action with the United Church of England and Ireland, the Scottish Episcopal Church, and the Churches in the Colonies and Dependencies of Great Britain, in order to the determination of principles on which the aforesaid Churches and the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be able to unite in the establishment of a common use for Common Prayer and administration of Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies, with due provision for necessary differences between the Churches; for a larger measure of liberty in the modification of the use of each Church to Provincial, Colonial or Territorial needs; for allowance of increased discretion to Diocesan ordinaries; and for the preparation of more numerous and more varied Offices and Forms of Service, adapted to the several varieties of Missionary Eleemosynary and Parochial work.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, leave was granted.

Canon of the Trial of a Bishop being under consideration, Bishop Hawks moved to amend by substituting seven and nine for five and seven. Lost.

Bishop Lee moved the following amendment:

SECTION II.—*Amendments of Canon of the Trial of a Bishop.*

1. *Five* male communicants of this Church in good standing, belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom *two* at least must be *Presbyters.*

2. By *seven* male communicants of this Church in good standing, of whom *two* at least shall be *Presbyters*, and *three* of which *seven* shall belong to the Diocese of the accused.

Adopted.

Bishop Atkinson moved to amend by adding after the words accused, line 7, page 3, of printed Canon, the words, "together with the Diocese of the accused." Adopted.

On motion of Bishop Hopkins, it was

Resolved, To strike out paragraph 13, page 2, of printed copy.

The Canon as thus amended was then adopted.

Bishop De Lancey, as Chairman of the Committee on Records, submitted the following report:

The Standing Committee on Records respectfully report:

That they have received from the Registrar the following report, which is submitted to the House for publication in the Journal. (See Appendix, L.)

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY,
Oct. 21, 1856. *Chairman.*

Order of the day was called up, being the election of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop in the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas.

The Chairman appointed the two Bishops next in seniority to collect the ballots, and upon counting the same, it was found, that the House had unanimously elected the Rev'd Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Connecticut, to be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as Missionary Bishop in the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas.

On motion of Bishop Lee, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary do inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that this House nominates to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the Rev'd Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Conn, as Missionary Bishop in Nebraska and Kansas. (See p. 208.)

Bishop Cobbs moved that the Rev'd Dr. Muhlenberg, the Rev'd Dr. Bedell, and Rev'd J. G. Geer, be the Committee to prepare and submit for the sanction of this House at the next General Convention, suitable music for the Church services, agreeably with the report and resolution of the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, read the Pastoral Letter, and on motion of Bishop H. Potter, seconded by Bishop McIlvaine, it was adopted as the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops.*

Bishop A. Potter called up the report of the Commission on the Memorial, and on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Forms of Prayer presented by the Committee, together with the Form presented by Bishop Whittingham, be printed in the Journal, (see Appendix, K,) and their further consideration be postponed until the next General Convention. (See p. 204.)

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, the further consideration of the recommendation respecting Canon XLV. of 1832, was postponed.

* After distributing the Pastoral Letter agreeably with the order of the House of Deputies: the remaining copies have been bound up with the Journal.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, the following preamble and resolutions (the preamble having been amended by consent of the House,) were adopted as the final action of this House on the report of the Commission of the Memorial:

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, The use of the Book of Common Prayer as regulated by custom, has special reference to established parish Churches, and to a population already incorporated with the Church.

And Whereas, Our actual work is, or should be, among many, not yet connected with our congregations, or where there are no established parishes, and where said parishes are yet in their infancy.

And Whereas, there are or may be in different Dioceses, peculiar emergencies arising out of the character or condition of certain portions of the population, which demand some special services.

And Whereas, The Book of Common Prayer should be so used as most effectively to cherish true devotion, and set forth the Gospel and work of Christ, and contribute to the extension of His kingdom among men.

And Whereas, The House of Bishops have heretofore expressed opinions as to usages which may be allowed under existing rubrics and Canons, therefore,

Resolved, as the opihion of the Bishops

1. That the order of Morning Prayer, the Litany and the Communion Service, being separate offices, may, as in former times, be used separately, under the advice of the Bishop of the Diocese.

2. That on special occasions, or, at extraordinary Services, not otherwise provided for, Ministers may, at their discretion, use such parts of the Book of Common Prayer, and such lesson or lessons from Holy Scripture, as shall, in their judgment, tend most to edification.

3. That the Bishops of the several Dioceses may provide such special services as in their judgment shall be required by the peculiar spiritual necessities of any class or portion of the population within said Dioceses, provided that such services shall not take the place of the services or offices of the Book of Common Prayer in congregations capable of its use.

4. That in view of the desirableness of union amongst Christians; and as a pledge of willingness to communicate and receive information tending to that end; and in order to conference, if occasion or opportunity should occur, this House will appoint, by ballot, a Committee of five Bishops as an organ of Communication or Conference, with such Christian bodies or individuals as may desire it, to be entitled the *Commission on Church Unity*.

5. That in making the above appointment, it is distinctly understood, that the Commission is clothed with no authority to mature plans of union with other Christian Bodies, or to propound expositions of doctrine and discipline. (See p. 206.)

Bishop Whittingham offered the following proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution, for consideration at the next General Convention.

Proposed Amendment in Article V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any State or Territory of the United States, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and new Dioceses may be formed, within any State or Territory, or from portions of one or more already admitted into union under the following restriction: No such Diocese, to be admitted into union, shall be formed, unless with the previously obtained consent of the General Convention. In order to such consent, it shall be necessary that the proposed Diocese shall contain at least thirty Presbyters, resident in and canonically officiating within its bounds, and qualified, by the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese out of which it is to be formed, to vote for a Bishop, and fifteen regularly organized and self-supporting parishes. Nor shall such consent be given, if the formation of the proposed new Diocese would reduce the number of clergy and parishes in the Diocese now in union, out of which it should be formed, below the limits required for the new Diocese.

A new Diocese may be formed within any existing Diocese, on the proposal of the Bishop of the same, by the vote of two-thirds of the Diocesan Convention, at two successive Conventions, with an interval of at least one year: provided, that such Diocese shall be entitled only to elect a Bishop, agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and Canon of this Church, who shall have exclusive Diocesan jurisdiction therein, but shall proceed no further in Diocesan organization, unless admitted into union by the General Convention; being otherwise included for all Diocesan purposes in the Diocese in union, out of which it shall have been formed.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses, to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the New Diocese.

The Bishop of a Diocese not admitted to union with the General Convention shall be eligible, on the occurrence of a vacancy in the Episcopate of the Diocese in union with which his Diocese may be connected; but unless and until so elected, shall have only a seat and deliberative voice in the House of Bishops, but no vote.

Bishop De Lancey gave notice that he should call up his resolutions relating to Provinces and the Presiding Bishop.

The House took a recess until 5 P. M.

5 P. M. the House met.

Messages No. 20 and 21 were called up, and on motio it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of this House, to act with the Committee appointed on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to nominate a suitable person to correct the typographical errors in the standard edition of the Bible.

Bishops Hawks, Upfold and H. Potter, were appointed said Committee.

The Chair announced the following as the Commission on opening Communications with Sister and Foreign Churches: Bishops Whittingham, Lee, Eastburn, Williams and Clark.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Bishops Whittingham, Elliott, Johns, Burgess, Williams, Atkinson and H. Potter, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee to revise the Course of Ecclesiastical Studies set forth in 1804, and to propose to this House, at its next session, such changes as they shall unanimously decide upon.

On motion of Bishop Upfold,

Bishops Kemper, A. Potter and McIlvaine, were added to said Committee.

Bishop A. Potter called for the order of the day, being the election of five Bishops as a Committee on Church Unity, and Bishops Brownell, Hopkins, Elliott, A. Potter and Burgess, were elected. (See p. 207.)

Message No. 3 being under consideration, on motion of Bishop Upfold, this House concurred in the same; and Bishops Brownell, McIlvaine, Elliott, A. Potter, and Burgess were appointed on the part of this House.

Message No. 38 being under consideration, Bishop Whittingham moved that this House do not concur in the act of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in repealing Canons I. and II. of 1853. Adopted.

Message No. 35 being under consideration, Bishop Whittingham moved, that it be made the order of the day after reading the minutes.

Bishop De Lancey asked and obtained leave to file among the documents of the House, his protest against the action of this House on the report of the Committee on the Memorial.

Bishop Whittingham having moved, it was

Resolved, That the action of this House on the subject of the report of the Committee appointed in the General Convention of 1853, to con-

der a Memorial to this House by sundry members of this Church be ommunicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Potter moved to lay the motion of Bishop Whitingham on the table. Adopted.

Bishop Meade asked that certain documents addressed to imself and other Bishops, be placed on file, among the locuments of this House.

On motion of Bishop De Lancey the request was granted.

The House on motion took a recess until 7½ o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

Bishop De Lancey called up his resolution, respecting Provinces. (See p. 197, Journal of 1853.)

And, on motion of Bishop McIlvaine, the same was ndefinitely postponed.

Bishop A. Potter called up his resolution relating to the Presiding Bishop, (See p. 229, Journal of 1853,) and moved s adoption. Lost.

On motion of Bishop A. Potter, the following resolution as adopted.

Resolved, That in order to facilitate the despatch of business in this louse, a Committee of three be appointed to prepare and report for consideration at the opening of the next General Convention, *ules of Order* and an *Order of Business*.

And Bishops A. Potter, Lee, and Williams were appointed said ommittee.

Bishop A. Potter asked to be excused from serving on he Committee on Church unity—which request was on notion granted. After balloting it appeared that Bishop McIlvaine was elected.

Message No. 35 being under consideration, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, the first resoulution was adopted.

On motion of Bishop Lee, the second was also adopted—and on motion of Bishop Uphold, the third was adopted.

Bishop Otey called up his resolution, offered on the Ninth Day, and moved its adoption. Lost. (See p. 171.)

Bishop Elliott moved the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That this House cannot terminate its present session without expressing its grateful sense of the cordial and liberal hospitality extended by the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Clergy and Citizens of Philadelphia to the members of this House.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, for the very convenient and ample arrangements which they have made for the accommodation and comfort of this House.

Bishop Hopkins, from the joint Committee of Conference, made the following report, which was adopted.

The Committee of Conference on the amendment of the House of Bishops, of the Canon, of the Trial of a Bishop, by striking out the 13th paragraph of the 6th section of said Canon, report:

That they have agreed to advise their several Houses to retain the said 13th section, amended as follows, and do therefore recommend that the said amendment be passed. (See Jour. House of Dep. p. 150.)

Bishop H. Potter submitted the following report:

The joint Committee appointed by the two Houses to nominate a Board of seven Trustees, for the management for the next three years, of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, nominate the following persons:

The Right Rev'd Alfred Lee, D.D.—The Rev'd John Henry Hobart, D.D.—the Rev'd Charles Burrows, D.D.—the Hon. Hamilton Fish—the Hon. Luther Bradish—Robert B. Minturn, Esq.—and Josiah Collins, Esq.

And on motion the House concurred. (See p. 209.)

Bishop Polk submitted a report on the resignation of Bishop Whitehouse—and moved its adoption, whereupon certain amendments were made, and pending the discussion on the whole,

The following messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 39.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the amendment made by them, in the Canon "of the Expenses of General Conventions," which was transmitted to the House of Bishops in Message No. 18 of this House.

MESSAGE No. 40.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the substitution of the word "establish," for the word "constitute" in the amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, which was transmitted by this House in Message No. 30, and otherwise concurred in by the House of Bishops.

MESSAGE No. 41.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has agreed to the amendments recommended by the Committee of Conference in the Canon "of the Trial of a Bishop," and on its part has enacted the Canon as amended.

MESSAGE No. 42.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has laid on the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to elect the Rev'd Jacob L. Clark, D.D., as a Missionary Bishop to Kansas and Nebraska, having previously failed to pass the following resolution.

Resolved, That it is expedient to fill the Episcopate of Kansas and Nebraska.

MESSAGE No. 43.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the amendments proposed in Canon X. of 1853, "of Missionary Bishops in the United States," and on its part enacts the Canon as amended.

MESSAGE No. 44.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the nomination of the joint Committee of persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, &c.

Dr. Hanckel and Mr. Wm. Appleton as a Committee on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, appeared and announced to this House that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies had finished its business, and were prepared to receive the House of Bishops, and to hear the Pastoral letter.

Bishop Hawks made the following report:

The joint Committee nominate Dr. H. M. Mason as a suitable person to correct the typographical errors in the Standard edition of the Bible.

And on motion the nomination was confirmed.

On motion of Bishop Upfold, the House of Bishops proceeded to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and the Pastoral Letter was read by Bishop Hopkins. After singing the *Gloria in Excelsis*, with prayer and benediction, by Bishop Hopkins, the Bishops returned to their own room.

And on motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion of Bishop Whittingham,

Resolved, That the act of Remission, passed in the Council of Bishops, in the case of Bishop H. U. Onderdonk, be entered on the journals of this House, as follows:

To all the members of the Holy Catholic and Reformed Church of Christ, throughout the world.

Grace, mercy, and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

We, the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, having duly considered the application of Henry Ustick Onderdonk, Doctor of Divinity, and Bishop of the said Church, to be relieved from the sentence of suspension, passed upon him by the House of Bishops, assembled in General Convention, at Philadelphia, October 21st, in the year of our Lord, 1844, and being satisfied by the evidence

laid before us, that he has led, during the twelve years which have el since the said sentence was pronounced, a sober, godly, and blam life, and that the general mind of the Church, so far as it could be a tained from the memorials addressed to us by a large number o Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention, now in ses and others, earnestly desires that the said sentence should be remitt accordance with the said application; have therefore decreed, in suance of our Canonical power and discretion, as follows, viz.:

That the said Henry Ustick Onderdonk, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop as aforesaid, be relieved from the said sentence of suspen and that he stand before the Church, restored to his proper func in the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ, according to the Canons, full power and liberty to exercise the same.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, in General vention, at the Church of St. Luke, in the City of Philadelphia, 21st day of October, A. D., 1856.

John H. Hopkins, Bishop of Vermont.
Jos. H. Otey, Bishop of Tennessee.
Jackson Kemper, Bishop of Wisconsin
Sam'l A. McCoskry, Bishop of Michigan.
Leonidas Polk, Bishop of Louisiana.
William Heathcote DeLancey, Bishop of Western New York
William Rollinson Whittingham, Bishop of Maryland.
Stephen Elliott, Bishop of Georgia.
Alfred Lee, Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware,
N. H. Cobbs, Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.
C. S. Hawks, Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri.
George W. Freeman, Missionary Bishop of the South West.
Alonzo Potter, Bishop of Pennsylvania.
George Upfold, Bishop of Indiana.
Jno. Williams, Assistant Bishop of Connecticut.
Thomas Atkinson, Bishop of North Carolina.
Thomas F. Scott, Missionary Bishop of Oregon.
Henry W. Lee, Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa.
Horatio Potter, Provisional Bishop of New York.
Thomas M. Clark, Bishop of Rhode Island.

Bishop A. Potter called up the report of the Commi in the case of Bishop Whitehouse, and moved the follow preample, which, with the resolutions before agreed to, w adopted, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Right Rev'd Henry J. Whitehouse has tend to this House a resignation of his jurisdiction, as Bishop of the Dio of Illinois, on the ground of all but insuperable obstacles to his remo his family at present within the limits of the said Diocese, as als some other difficulties connected with his administration of the s not particularly named. And,

WHEREAS, it appears that he has, during the last few years given a large amount of Episcopal supervision and labor to the Diocese, and said labor seems to have been regarded by his people with high satisfaction. And,

WHEREAS, there does not appear to this House to be any such ground of difference or any such necessity of permanent residence of his family out of the Diocese, that all difficulties connected therewith, may not be expected to give way, with God's blessing, before efforts properly made. And,

WHEREAS, the said Bishop fully concurs in the recorded judgment of this House, that every Diocesan Bishop ought to reside within his Diocese and State, that he has never regarded his non-residence as other than temporary and exceptional, and as one which is likely soon to terminate. Therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not feel authorized, in the present state of things, to accept the resignation which has been offered by the Diocesan of Illinois of the jurisdiction to which he was elected and consecrated in the year of our Lord, 1851

Resolved, That in declining to accept the resignation of the Right Rev'd Dr. Whitehouse, this House does it, in the confidence, that he will at an early date, comply with the Canon on Episcopal residence, and that no efforts will be wanting on the part of the Diocese to render his removal easy and agreeable.

Which on motion were adopted.

On motion of Bishop Williams,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to the Rev'd Dr. Balch for his able and efficient services as Secretary.

And on motion the House adjourned, *sine die*.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D.D.,LL.D.,
Presiding Bishop.

Attest,

LEWIS P. W. BALCH, D. D., *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

Appendix A.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church respectfully report:

That they have examined as carefully as time would permit, the usual statements submitted by the individual members of the Committee as embodying the chief facts of interest respecting the Dioceses they represent. The Committee would repeat the expression of regret, made three years since, concerning the defective character of many of these reports. If proper tables were prepared by the Bishops and Standing Committees of the Dioceses previous to the meetings of the General Convention, as recommended by the 5th section of Canon XII. of 1853, it would not only facilitate the work of this Committee, but would also be much more satisfactory to the whole Church, making this report more accurate and more interesting.

We have, however, abundant evidence of the growth and prosperity of our beloved Church; a growth not indeed commensurate with our wishes and hopes, yet calling for our grateful acknowledgments, as, we trust, a token of the favor of our Divine Lord. At this session we have the happiness of welcoming the representatives of the new Diocese of California, the *first* of what we doubt not will ere long be a goodly array of Dioceses upon the shores of the Pacific.

It is not within the province of this Committee, we may here add, to speak of the condition of the Church in other than its organized Dioceses; hence, the statistics here submitted do not include those that may be reported from a large portion of the field under the care of the Missionary Bishops. At the last General Convention, few topics elicited more interest than those growing out of the alarming inade-

quacy of ministerial force to the great work before the Church. Much was said of Prayer to the Lord of the Harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest, and we may hope that the call upon the Church has been heard, and its prayers have been in some measure answered.

The Ordinations of Deacons during the last three years, in 31 Dioceses, appear to have been 254, and of Priests 227. Whereas the last report showed the Ordination of but 146 Deacons, and 149 Priests, in 23 Dioceses.

Then there were 176 Candidates for Orders in 24 Dioceses: now in 28 Dioceses we have 243; an increase of 67. The total number of Clergy then reported, in 30 Dioceses, was 1651; now we have in 31 Dioceses, 1828; an increase of 179.

The confirmations were 23,884, at this time we reported 30,644. The communicants in 30 Dioceses were 105,136, at present, in 31 Dioceses, 119,540, a gain of more than 14,000.

There have been removed from us by deaths of the Clergy, 58; amongst whom was the venerable Provisional Bishop of New York. Three Bishops have been consecrated; one for New York, one for Rhode Island, and one for the new Diocese of Iowa.

The only State of our wide-spread Union in which we have no Diocesan Organization is Arkansas, but here, as throughout the whole of our National Territory, provision is made by means of our Missionary System for Episcopal Ministrations.

We notice also in the reports of Baptisms, Marriages, and Sunday Scholars, a marked increase upon former numbers. The funds for the support of the Episcopate, for the relief of infirm Clergy, and for the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy, as well as the contributions for Missionary and for other benevolent purposes, far exceed in amount those reported to any previous Convention. The attention of the Church will, we are sure, be engaged by the statements found in these papers, as to the rapidly extending work of City Missions, and to the large provision making for the relief of the poor and the afflicted in our principal cities.

We cannot doubt that the prosperity thus indicated for which our gratitude and praise are due to the Holy Spirit alone, without whose gifts man's work is in vain, has been

greatly advanced by the increased unity and mutual confidence that have characterized the Clergy and Laity, and by the reputation which the Church has gained for conservative principles and for unshaken constancy to the faith which was once delivered to the Saints.

We must not omit to notice what is made prominent in several of the reports herewith submitted:—The greatly increased attention given to the education of the young under the auspices of our Church. In our Colleges, in our Academies, and in our Parochial and other schools there are gathered more and more year by year of the youth of our land, who we trust will thus be trained not for earth only, but also for Heaven. To these instrumentalities, we must, look, in part, at least, and under God, for the replenishing of the ranks of our Ministry.

We would not be thought in thus commenting on the tokens of the Divine favor vouchsafed us, to imply that our Church has at all attained to the measure of growth and advancement which she ought to have reached in view of her ability and her opportunities. We trust that there is before us, if we are faithful, humble, diligent, and liberal, —a path of usefulness and of honor which will lead us to look upon the present as indeed "a day of small things." Grateful for the blessing received we would yet call upon the Church to give herself to humiliation for all negligence and indolence and unfaithfulness and to earnest believing Prayer for a new outpouring of God's Spirit, such as shall make "the wilderness a fruitful field, and the fruitful field to be counted for a forest."

In conclusion we would propose the passage of the customary resolution:

Resolved:—That the view of the Church herewith presented be transmitted to the House of Bishops, soliciting their prayers and blessings, and requesting that they will draw up and cause to be published a Pastoral Letter to the Members of the Church.

CH. HANCKEL,
Chairman of Committee.

MAINE.

There are canonically resident in the Diocese, eighteen clergymen; namely, a Bishop, thirteen Presbyters, and four

Deacons. Of these one is a Chaplain in the United States Navy, three are living without the bounds of the Diocese, and two others hold no parochial charge.

During the three years past, six persons have been ordained Deacons, and two have been admitted to the Order of Presbyters.

There are now four Candidates for Orders.

Four new parishes have been organized.

The present number is sixteen, of which one is vacant.

Five Churches have been consecrated, St. Anne's in Calais, St. Peter's in Rockland, St. Luke's in Portland, St. Thomas's in Camden, all in newly organized parishes, and a new edifice for the ancient parish of St. Stephen's, Portland.

The Baptisms have been five hundred and twenty;—of adults one hundred and thirty-four,—of infants three hundred and eighty-six.

Two hundred and seventy-three have been confirmed.

Four hundred and fifteen have been added to the body of communicants, making the present number nine hundred and ninety-six.

The Marriages were two hundred and twelve.

The Burials were three hundred and fifty-three.

The Sunday School Teachers reported are one hundred and eleven, and the scholars are seven hundred and seventy-two.

The following collections have been made:

For various charities,.....	$5,769 08
Communion Alms,.....	1,101 14
General Board of Domestic Missions,.....	280 58
Foreign Missions,.....	561 23
Board of Diocesan Missions,.....	3,686 73
Episcopal Fund in stock, at par, about,.....	1,100 00

The Episcopal Fund is so invested as to yield at the present but a small income.

It will be seen that the increase of the parishes is one third since the last report.

The progress of the Diocese and its present condition are even more encouraging than these statistics show.

The zeal and work of the Diocesan Board of Missions, the contributions of the Parishes to its treasury, and the success with which the Lord has favored its efforts are reported with pleasure and much gratitude. The contribu-

tions from the Diocese to this single department amounts to one dollar and forty-seven cents a year from each communicant.

Among other plain causes of the success of the Church, in Maine, and of the present increased favor of the people towards it, may be mentioned a spreading acquaintance with the liturgical usages of the Churches, and with that simple and solemn ministration of divine truth which distinguishes the Book of Common Prayer, and is, it is to be hoped, to a large degree infused into the instructions of the Clergy.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Few have been the changes in the Diocese of New Hampshire, since the last General Convention. It still continues to cherish and preserve its wonted faithfulness and devotion to the doctrine and discipline of the Church, and under the wise, judicious, and kind supervision of its Bishop, enjoys the utmost harmony. The Diocese has in addition to its Bishop, eleven Presbyters, two Deacons, and one candidate for Orders. One of its Presbyters is a Chaplain, who is stationed at the Navy Yard, near Portsmouth; another of its Presbyters is Rector of St. Paul's School, founded and established by Dr. Shattuck, in the City of Concord. The school is for the instruction and training of boys. Though not directly connected with the ecclesiastical authorities of the Diocese, yet it sustains an important relation to its interests, and to those of religious learning. A new Church has been founded at Hanover, the seat of Dartmouth College, some of whose students are favorably inclined towards Episcopacy. Dr. Bourns, the Rector of the Church, who is also President of Norwich University, gives assurance by his learning, ability, and zeal, that the work of the ministry will be very profitable in his hands, The edifice in which the society worships not being accommodated to their comfort, measures are in operation for the erection of a new Church. A parish has been organized at Holderness, under the favorable auspices of the Rev. Joshua R. Pierce; under the charge of that faithful, devoted, and able Rector, his parish has manifested a most effective zeal in the interests of the Church. His efforts at Holderness have resulted in one of the most successful organizations of the

Diocese. One of the Clergymen of the Diocese, a man of decided talents and learning, the Rev. Dr. Sprague, has not long since been called to the Church of the first-born in Heaven. He has left, after the demise of his sister, the sum of $5000 for the benefit of the Church at Hanover, and in case that Church should not be established, he has devised the appropriation of that amount to the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese. He has left his valuable library to the Church at Drewsville, of which he was Rector. The whole number of Churches is thirteen. Three of them are without Rectors, though sometimes in each of them are occasional services. Baptisms, infants, 165; adults, 40—205; Marriages, 106; Burials, 162; Persons confirmed, 132; Communicants, 581; Sunday School teachers, 42; Sunday School scholars, 358. There are in the Diocese several Parish libraries, and also Sunday School libraries. The whole amount of contributions for various purposes has been $5,039 61.

VERMONT.

The time for holding the Annual Convention in this Diocese has been changed since the last General Convention, from September to June, making this report embrace a period of little more than two years and a half.

The confirmations of the present year, with the exception of two parishes, are not herein included, in consequence of the above-mentioned change. This will explain the apparent deficiency in our table of statistics.

The number of parishes at present is 33; Clergy, 20; Candidates for Orders, 2.

We are, however, able to report a steady increase in the number of Church families. We number at present 1262. For the time embraced in this report, there have been Baptisms, 389; of which number 293 were children, and 96 adults; number of Confirmations, 239; Marriages, 170; Burials, 256.

Our present number of Communicants is 1929, being an increase of more than one hundred over the number reported at the last triennial meeting of this body, and this including the persons confirmed this year in only two parishes.

One Church only has been consecrated, and one is in process of erection and nearly completed.

Two persons have been ordained to the Priesthood, and one to the office of a Deacon.

The constant tide of emigration from the Diocese has affected us in common with others, but notwithstanding all the drafts made upon us from this source, and the usual deaths, we have more than maintained our position, and are able to say that there has been a steady increase of Church families; and the number of our communicants, during a period of two years and a half, has increased more than one hundred.

The condition of the Church in this Diocese is by no means discouraging; there is probably no ecclesiastical body more welcomed among the unprejudiced portion of our community than ours.

The reputation of our Church and people, for giving exclusive heed to the matters of their special calling and profession, has placed the Episcopal Church in Vermont, in a highly favorable position.

Our number of parishes, beyond doubt, might be easily doubled had we the ministers to supply the field.

This lamentable deficiency we hope in some degree to supply from the Vermont Episcopal Institute when it shall have once become successfully established.

The amount of contributions is as follows, for

Diocesan Missions,	$647 00
Domestic "	633 00
Foreign "	445 00
Alms at Communion,	1891 00
For other purposes,	8500 00
Total,	$12,116 00

In addition to the foregoing, there has been a very liberal subscription throughout the Diocese, in behalf of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, amounting to a little less than twenty thousand dollars, including a legacy of two thousand dollars.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Church in this Diocese is steadily advancing. In places where early associations still foster strong prejudices, it is difficult to plant our institutions. It is nevertheless true, that the more intelligent classes are becoming better

informed in respect to the distinctive principles of our Church, and, as a consequence of such knowledge, those who are not of us, are enabled to see and in some measure appreciate the beauty of her Apostolic Order, and the soundness of her Evangelical doctrines. Many, wearied by the prevailing state of things in other Christian bodies, are seeking a home in our Communion. We believe that at no previous period, have the doctrines of "Christ and Him Crucified," as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer, been more faithfully preached.

Although this Diocese is suffering in common with other portions of our beloved Zion, from the relative decrease of the Ministry, still most of the parishes are supplied with settled Ministers.

During the past three years, six new parishes have been organized, making the present number of parishes 60. Churches consecrated 4.

The number of Clergy is 77. The Missionary operations of the Diocese are under the direction of a Board of Missions composed of Clergymen and Laymen, the Bishop of the Diocese being *ex officio*, the President. This organization has been instrumental in planting Churches at various points in the Diocese. Some of our stronger and more influential parishes owe their existence, under GOD, to the labors of this Board.

The number of candidates for Holy Orders is nine.

Nine have been admitted to the Diaconate, and six have been admitted to Priest's Orders.

The whole number of Baptisms, during the three years past, is 2790, of which number 286 were adults; 960 persons have been confirmed; Marriages, 1053; Funerals, 1728.

The present number of communicants is 6,027; Sunday School children, 4,350; contributions for religious purposes $114,268 87.

The Episcopal Fund yields an income of a thousand dollars a year.

These statistics exhibit a degree of prosperity which is indicative of the greatness and graciousness of God's blessing upon us.

It is our painful duty to record the death of three of our Clergy.

The Rev. Titus Strong, D.D., one of our oldest and worthiest Presbyters, departed this life June 7th, A.D., 1855.

The Rev. Benjamin Austin died on the 11th day of December, 1854, and the Rev. Christian Wiltberger, August 13th, 1855. . . . . .

May these and other repeated instances of mortality admonish us to do what our hands find to do, while it is day.

RHODE ISLAND.

During the more than two years' vacancy in the Episcopate of this Diocese, following the decease of our late lamented Diocesan, the Right Rev. Bishop Henshaw, the Right Rev. Dr. Burgess, Bishop of the Diocese of Maine, and subsequently the Right Rev. Dr. Williams, Assistant Bishop of Connecticut, were invited to perform Episcopal Services in the Diocese, which they most kindly and acceptably rendered. At the special Convention held in St. John's Church, Providence, on the 26th and 27th days of September, 1854, the Rev. Thomas M. Clark, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Hartford, Connecticut, was, with singular unanimity, elected to fill the vacant Episcopate. Dr. Clark was consecrated to this high and holy office on the 6th day of December following, in Grace Church, Providence, to the Rectorship of which he had been previously elected, and which he has since held.

Under the administration of our new Bishop, the Church began to resume its wonted life and vigor. Our Convocational system, which had long been an instrument of great good among us, is recovering its former efficiency and awakening a more lively spirituality, and greater zeal in the great Missionary cause. At no period, probably, was the Church in this Diocese more substantially prosperous. With an able and devoted Bishop, supported by a zealous and united Clergy, and the harmonious co-operation of a pious and influential laity and an abundant field of usefulness before us, we have all the elements of success, and if we are but faithful to our high trust, we shall, with the Divine blessing, enjoy a high degree of prosperity,—our little Diocese become indeed the Garden of the Lord.

The annual Convention Journals of the last three years afford us the following—

STATISTICS.

Deacons ordained,		3
Priests, "		2
Candidates for Holy Orders,		2
Contributions for charitable and religious objects,		$25,121 17
Parishes,		25
Clergy — Bishop 1, Priests 27, Deacons 4,		32
Marriages,		416
Burials,		806
Baptisms. Adults,	205	880
" Infants,	675	
Confirmed in 1855–6, by Bishop Clark,		488
Communicants,		2,736
Sunday School Scholars,		2,259
" Teachers,		320

Three new Churches are now in readiness for consecration, viz.: Church of the Messiah, Providence, Emmanuel Church, Newport, and St. Peter's Church, Johnston; two Churches are now being renovated and enlarged, viz: St. Andrew's Church, Providence, and St. James' Church, Woonsocket.

One of those admitted to the Priesthood, as reported above, was ordained by Bishop Williams at the request of the Standing Committee previous to the consecration of Dr. Clark.

During the year immediately subsequent to the last General Convention, no Episcopal Visitations and no confirmations were had.

The amount of contributions for religious and charitable purposes here reported, is very imperfect, and very far short of the true sum. Much is given on personal application of which the Rectors have no account. And one of our ablest and most liberal Churches has reported only what its Sunday School have done, though we know that besides other benefactions it supports three missionaries of the General Board; one in China, one in Africa, and one in Iowa. We may, without exaggeration state our contributions at $30,000—instead of the amount reported above, as gathered from the Journals. Beside too, more than an equal amount has been contributed for the building and enlargement of Churches.

A beginning has been made for the creation of an Episcopal Fund. Though the amount is yet small, it will serve as a nucleus for future enlargement, and it is hoped that the time is not very far distant, when it will be made sufficient to

support the Bishop without the incumbrance of a Parish. A fund has also been begun for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen and of disabled and superannuated Clergymen. An annual collection is taken up for this fund in all the Churches of the Diocese; and it is to be hoped that it will be further augmented by donations and bequests.

One of the older Clergy of this Diocese, the Rev. John Bristed, formerly Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol, has been called to his reward since the last triennial Convention. He was one of the three primary members of the Rhode Island Convocation, and a laborious, learned, and successful minister of Christ. In the language of Bishop Clark, "He was a man always true to his convictions, transparent and outspoken almost to a fault, of the most elastic and untiring energy, of extraordinary executive ability, of varied and accurate knowledge, and always ready to sacrifice his own comfort when there was work to be done for his Divine Master. He has left his mark upon the State, and many of our parishes may be said to owe their existence to his enterprise and liberality."

"For some years past disease had shattered his earthly tenement, and clouds obscured the radiance of his brilliant mind; but he has now laid aside all these infirmities, and we doubt not, walks in glory, breathing the clear, invigorating air of Paradise."

CONNECTICUT.

The statistics of the Diocese of Connecticut are as follows:

The number of its parishes is one hundred and twelve.

Its Clergy including the two Bishops are one hundred and twenty-two.

During the last three years twenty-six candidates for Orders have been ordained Deacons.

Eighteen Deacons have been advanced to the Priesthood.

Four Clergymen have departed this life.

There were at the time of the last Diocesan Convention, twenty-seven candidates for Orders.

At the last Annual Convention there were in the Diocese:

Families—eight thousand six hundred and sixty-six.

Communicants—ten thousand three hundred and eighty nine.

Sunday School Teachers—one thousand and seventy-five. Scholars—six thousand one hundred and seven.

In the last three years there have been Churches consecrated, seven, and as many more re-opened, after important improvements; in some instances nearly equivalent to a re-building. Two Churches, both substantial edifices of stone, are in process of erection. Baptisms, of adults, six hundred and ninety-seven; of infants, two thousand seven hundred and twenty-one, in all three thousand four hundred and eighteen.

Confirmed, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

Marriages, one thousand three hundred and four.

Burials, two thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

Contributions for objects beyond the ordinary current expenses of Parishes, one hundred and four thousand two hundred and twenty-four dollars and seventy-one cents. In this sum, however, are not included gifts to Trinity College, by donation and will, to the amount of forty-five thousand dollars,—donations to the Berkeley Divinity School, of more than an equal amount,—and a legacy to the General Missionary Society of eight or ten thousand, making an aggregate of at least a hundred thousand more.

A comparison of these statistics, with those of the preceding General Convention, affords evidence of real but moderate progress. Connecticut is continually sending forth a stream ef emigrants to the more distant and newly settled portions of our country. In this are found a proportionate number of Churchmen, who carrying with them a firm attachment to the principles and institutions of the Church, are generally among the most active and efficient in establishing and maintaining them in their new places of abode. This Diocese has been largely a seed-plot and feeder to the Church in every portion of the West. And under this continual drain, its making growth, at home, steadily, though slowly, besides repairing the waste to which it is thus perpetually exposed, gives evidence of vigorous life, and of creditable energy and success in promoting the cause of Catholic truth and order within its own borders.

The most important event in the history of the Diocese, for the last three years, is the establishment of the Berkeley Divinity School, at Middletown. This has grown up from the Theological Department of Trinity College, mentioned in the last triennial report. Resting on the substantial

foundation of liberal gifts, chiefly contributed in the city of Middletown, with a charter granted by the legislature of the State, it has commenced an independent existence under favorable auspices; and, enjoying as it does the confidence and support of the Diocese, and the continual care and supervision of the Assistant Bishop, aided by a body of able and efficient teachers, it is already yielding good fruit, and promises to be a productive fountain of supply to the ministry of the Church in Connecticut and beyond its borders.

Trinity College, since the last General Convention, has, as has been noticed above, received a considerable augmentation of its funds, and been enabled in this way to establish an additional Professorship as well as to settle its whole system upon a firmer basis. This Institution needs but that more extended patronage which it is its aim to deserve, to make it a source of incalculable good in the Church—a spring whose issues may refresh and gladden the City of God in all directions. Other educational establishments in the Diocese are flourishing and useful.

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese amounts to something more than twenty-five thousand dollars, the interest of which, together with an assessment in the Parishes, yields an annual amount of between thirty-three and thirty-four hundred dollars for the support of the Episcopate. Of this amount, through the considerate kindness of the venerable Bishop, now disabled by the weight of years for the active discharge of his sacred functions, twenty-five hundred dollars is paid to the Assistant Bishop.

The whole Diocese of Connecticut, at unity in itself, walking in the old paths, and blest with a wise and energetic administration of its affairs, finds in all that pertains to its present condition and future prospects ample ground of thankfulness and hope.

NEW YORK.

Since the last General Convention, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from the scene of his earthly labors, and from the Episcopal charge which he had held only twenty-two months, the Rt. Rev. Jonathan Mayhew Wainwright, D. D., D. C. L., the Provisional Bishop of the Diocese. To the unwearied industry, the self-sacrificing toil, the zealous devotion which marked his brief Episcopate, his whole

flock have borne the strongest testimony, and to that testimony the Church at large has emphatically responded.

To the high and responsible office thus made vacant by this visitation of Divine Providence, the Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany, was duly chosen at the next ensuing Convention of the Diocese, and was consecrated thereto in Trinity Church, New York, on the 22d day of November, A. D. 1854. He entered at once upon its duties, and his labours have been most abundant and successful.

The parochial work of the Diocese continues to be prosecuted with diligence and fidelity, as the accompanying summary will show.

An increased interest has been of late years manifested in the missions of the Diocese. There are now 72 Missionary Stations in 27 Counties, of which 15 are at present unoccupied. The number of Missionaries is 57. The amount of contributions from the Diocese towards their support is $9,475 per annum. There is great room for the increase both of Stations and Missionaries.

The subject of City Missions among the poor and destitute, and among the emigrants from Great Britain and Ireland, is now receiving greater attention than at any former period. Mainly with reference to these departments of labour, Trinity Church, New York, has doubled her staff of clergy, and made provision for the employment of Lay Visitors and Teachers. Several other of the larger Parishes are actively engaged in the like work.

The Church Missionary Society for Seamen in the City and Port of New York, with its 3 Missionaries and 2 Floating Chapels, continues in successful operation

Not only is the religious instruction of the less favored portions of the community recognized as a duty of the Church, but also provision for the temporal welfare of Christ's Poor. Hence have arisen within the last few years St. Luke's Hospital, The Orphans' Home, The Church Charity Foundation, Brooklyn, St. Luke's Home for Indigent Christian Females, and Brotherhoods in several of our Cities. These Institutions are yet in their infancy, but give promise of great usefulness. In regard to the first named —St. Luke's Hospital—it is deemed proper to add a brief notice of its origin and design.

About six years ago, a noble purpose, long cherished

among some members of the Church in the City of New York, took, through the instrumentality of the Rev. Dr. Muhlenbergh, definite form and being in the Incorporation of ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL. This is an institution for the religious as well as physical care of the sick of every name, who may resort to it, and will avail themselves of the pastoral charge of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It has two Boards of Managers: the one of Laymen, who are concerned for its temporal affairs; the other of Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who, including the acting Bishop of the Diocese *ex officio*, control its religious work. It occupies ample and elevated grounds of great value, 200 feet in front, and 400 feet in depth, on the Fifth Avenue, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets in the City of New York. It has a building admirably adapted to its purposes, and nearly completed, which, finished and furnished, will, beside the grounds, have cost $150,000, and have been paid for by the pious gifts of Churchmen. It has a central Chapel so planned as to bring the religious services within range of the patients. It will be opened in the spring of 1857. It promises to become an important charity in this part of the land.

In accordance with the recommendation of Section 5 of Canon XII. of 1853, the following statements are made:

The Episcopal Fund of this Diocese is divided into two parts: the Disposable and the Accumulating. The former amounts to $67,500, and is invested on bond and mortgage. The latter has resulted from collections made annually for the purpose, and has reached the sum of $15,076, also invested in a similar manner, and set apart for accumulation until the further order of the Convention. Whatever above the proceeds of the Disposable Fund is made necessary for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese in its present state, is derived from an assessment made year by year upon the parishes by a Committee appointed by Convention for the purpose.

The Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy of this Diocese is contributing largely to the comfort of those Ministers of the Church who have been overtaken in their toils by sickness or age. Nine Clergymen now annually enjoy relief from its resources. Last year the collections from the Churches amounted to $4,726.36. At present the Trustees hold invested, as the result entirely of these

collections, the sum of $23,500. Such is the regard which this object has won in the Diocese, that it may expect, in due time, to reap from the Churches a magnificent capital, worthy of their wealth and love.

The Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, endowed many years since by Trinity Church, appropriates about $6,000 annually to the aid of young men preparing for the Sacred Ministry, and to other benevolent purposes. During the last year the number of Students in Schools, Colleges and the Theological Seminary receiving assistance was 48.

The Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen—founded A. D., 1769—is, year by year, making more manifest the wisdom and true philanthropy of its founders by the seasonable aid which it ministers to the bereaved families of those servants of Christ whose lives have been spent in preaching His Gospel. The amount of funds invested is about $86,000. The number of families at present assisted is 30.

The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society has distributed during the last three years 7,515 Bibles and Testaments, and 48,571 Prayer Books. While its receipts are almost wholly from the Diocese, its benefactions are spread over the whole Country. Large grants have been made to our Missionary Bishops and Missionary Presbyters at home and abroad.

A like remark may be made of the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, which has distributed within the same time 5,321,825 pages of Tracts.

Trinity School is now in the one hundred and forty-seventh year of its existence, having been established by the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in the year 1709. Its endowment has been derived partly from legacies, and partly from grants from the Corporation of Trinity Church. There are at present 72 free scholars all of whom are furnished with the necessary books, &c., gratuitously, and 64 of whom likewise receive a stipend sufficient to pay for their clothing.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Number of Churches and Chapels entitled to representation in the Diocese,..... 254
Not in union with the Convention,..... 12
Total,..... 266

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, Sept. 24, 1856,..... 309

Candidates for Orders:
Without full qualifications, 7
With full qualifications,... 29
Total,..... 36

New Parishes admitted into Union with the Convention:
1853–54,..... 9
1854–55,..... 7
1855–56,..... 2
Total,..... 18

Clergymen received into the Diocese:
1853–54,..... 18
1854–55,..... 15
1855–56,..... 21
Total,..... 54

Clergymen instituted:
1855–56,..... 1

Clergymen transferred to other Dioceses:
1853–54,..... 20
1854–55,..... 23
1855–56,..... 19
Total,..... 62

Clergymen Deceased:
1853–54,..... 4
1854–55,..... 4
1855–56,..... 2
Total,..... 10

Clergymen deposed:
1853–54,..... 1
1854–55,..... 1
1855–56,..... 2
Total,..... 4

Churches consecrated
1853–54,..... 4
1854–55,..... 13
1855–56,..... 10
Total,..... 27

Corner-stones laid:
1855–56,..... 3

ORDINATIONS.

		With full qualifications.	Without full qualificat'ns.				
1853–54,	Deacons,....	23	0	23	Priests,.... 8	Total,..	31
1854–55,	"	12	4	16	" 11	" ..	27
1855–56,	"	7	3	10	" 8	" ..	18
Total,	Deacons,....	42	7	49	Priests,.... 27	Total,..	76

CONFIRMED.

1853–54,..... 1427
1854–55,..... 1855
1855–56,..... 2496
Total,..... 5778

There being in this Diocese about 50 Parishes from which no Reports have been received for the last three Conventional years, the following account for such period of Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, Communicants and Contributions, is to be regarded only as an approximation to the true sum, which must be larger than that here stated.

For the last three Conventional years:

Baptisms,—Adults, 1,407, Infants, 12,398,—Total,	13,805
Marriages,	4,406
Burials,	8,878
Communicants,—Admitted, 4,843,—Present number,	22,549
Catechumens and Sunday Scholars,	19,113
Catechists and Sunday School Teachers,	2,202

Contributions: aggregate 1855–6, $281,417 19, (as far as appears from Reports for the last three years.)

For the Educational Fund,	$1,716 91
For support of the Episcopate and Episcopal Fund,	11,238 86
For Diocesan Fund,	6,956 75
For Missionary Fund of Diocese,	18,376 04
For Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund,	14,195 46
For Other Objects,	596,927 90
Total,	$649,411 92

The munificent donations of the Corporation of Trinity Church, New York, are not reported to the Convention, nor included in this statement.

WESTERN NEW YORK.

Since the last General Convention, (1853,) 19 new Candidates for Holy Orders have been admitted; 2 Candidates have been received from other Dioceses; 2 Candidates have been transferred to other Dioceses; 2 Candidates have been withdrawn from Candidateship; 10 Candidates have been ordained Deacons; the present number of Candidates is 14; 13 Deacons have been ordained Priests; 11 new Church edifices have been consecrated; 9 new Congregations have been organized and received into union with the Convention; 5 new Church edifices have been erected and await consecration; about 55 parsonages are provided in the Diocese; 5 Rectors have been instituted; 4 Clergymen have died; 2 Clergymen have been deposed; 27 Clergymen have been received into the Diocese; 37 Clergymen have been transferred to other Dioceses.

The average number of Clergymen annually employed as Missionaries is 56. The present number is 50.

At present, the Diocese consists, of the Bishop, 113 Presbyters; 6 Deacons; 14 Candidates for Holy Orders; 150 organized Congregations, (several of which, however, are reduced by fluctuations and removals to a nominal existence) with 126 consecrated Church edifices; 5 Church edifices in use awaiting consecration, on removal of debt; and 6 in progress of erection, two of which are to replace old buildings.

The Fund for disabled Clergymen arising from collections made on Christmas Day has afforded assistance to 11 Clergymen to the amount, in three years, of $4,050, and the whole sum collected in three years has been $5,444 35.

There are in the Diocese for Educational purposes, Hobart Free College, with nearly one hundred Students—the Careyville Collegiate Seminary, recently placed under the supervision of the Church, Hobart Hall, several Male and Female private Schools, and a few parochial Schools. The establishment of a Testing or Training School for Candidates for Holy Orders is in contemplation.

The system of Monthly Collections and donations adopted in 1840, continues to command the confidence and liberality of the Diocese, and to enable it to meet with unfailing punctuality, the quarterly payments to the Missionaries and Beneficiaries. It has yielded during the last three years on an average annually $10,000. The total amount raised for Church objects, aside from parish objects, is $42,621. The Fund for the support of the Episcopate has been increased from $42,900 in 1853, to $50,000, which is its present amount, under the management as heretofore of five incorporated Trustees.

The De Vaux College for orphan and destitute children has an endowment of $137,000, in personal assets, and 50,000 in lands, exclusive of the Permanent Domain, consisting of three hundred and forty acres, on which the buildings have been erected out of the income of the Fund without entrenching on the capital of the endowment.

The Bishop and Standing Committee receive from the Trustees an annual statement of the Funds and condition of the College, which is to be opened for the reception of pupils in May of next year.

Since the last General Convention there have been:

Baptisms, (Adults, 870; Children, 3768;) Total,	4,638
Confirmed,	2,294
Marriages,	1,567
Burials,	2,202
The present number of Communicants is	9,226
Sunday School Teachers,	932
Scholars,	5,505

The strength and increase of the Parishes are much affected by changes, the result of inadequate support of the Clergy and removals of the Laity.

The Clergy and Laity continue, as heretofore, united and harmonious, in their exertions to sustain and advance the Church, to promote the divine glory, and the salvation of men.

The need of an increased number of Clergy in the Diocese is most pressing. Several of the Missionary Stations, comprising ten congregations, are unsupplied.

NEW JERSEY.

There are at present, 80 Clergymen: the Bishop; 74 Presbyters, and 5 Deacons; there are 77 Churches and Chapels; 11 Churches have been consecrated; there are 29 parsonages; 9 Deacons, and 10 Priests have been ordained; 18 Rectors have been instituted. The Rev. Samuel Ashton Warner, the Rev. John Eliot Thompson, the Rev. Joseph Lybrand, and the Rev. Isaac Smith have died. There have been 1411 confirmed; an increase of 546 over the former three years; Baptisms reported, 2703, of which 399 are adults; number of Communicants reported in 1856, 4332; Parishes, new, 5; whole number, 79; Marriages, 595; Funerals, 1311; Candidates, 14.

St. Mary's Hall and Burlington College are doing faithfully the work of Christian Education. They number 240 pupils.

The Episcopal Fund is $10,515. The Episcopal Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge and Piety has a Fund of $2,000. The Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, $26,000.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Diocese has continued substantially to prosper through the last three years. The want, however, is continually felt of faithful laborers in the Ministry; whilst

there is too much room to complain of the partial and scanty measure in which Christians contribute their means and their influence to the furtherance and support of the Gospel, still there is ample ground for encouragement and effort as will appear from the following Digest or Summary of Statistics for the last three years.

Baptisms—adults, 1,016; infants, 7,752; not specified, 250; total, 9,018; Communicants, 12,815; Marriages, 2,489; Funerals, 4,042; Sunday School Scholars, 16,891; Sunday School Teachers, 1772.

Contributions for Missionary and Benevolent purposes, and for payment of Church debts, $394,125 28.

Fifteen Churches have been consecrated. Three new Church Boarding Schools have been established during the last three years, viz.: Brooke Hall, (Delaware County); A Female Boarding School; Locust Grove (Female) Seminary, near Pittsburg; Kenwood School, for Boys, near Brighton, Beaver County.

The present number of Clergymen is 161; there are 28 Candidates for Orders.

The whole number of Congregations is 181; 21 of which are not in union with the Convention.

The whole number of persons confirmed since the last report is 3,242, being an increase of 581; 21 Candidates have been admitted to the Diaconate, and 18 Deacons have been ordained Priests—being an increase of 15 over the number reported in 1853. Three Presbyters, the Rev. James H. Fowles, the Rev. Robert Davis, and the Rev. Freeman Lane, and one Deacon, the Rev. John C. Helmuth, have been removed by death.

The Episcopal Fund amounts to nearly $30,000. The Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen to about $140,000. The Christmas Fund for the aid of Aged and Infirm Clergymen has amounted during the last three years to $4,350.

The Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, has now in its employ 17 Missionaries, and during the last three years has expended $12,326 17.

The Diocesan Missionary Society, operating in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, has now in the field 18 Missionaries. Its income, in 1854, was $5,898. For the last reported year, $6,434.

The Episcopal Missionary Association for the West, is established in Philadelphia, but laboring in remote and frontier Dioceses. It has 18 Missionaries in its employment, and expended the last year, $6,559 70.

DELAWARE.

Clergy—Bishop, 1; Presbyters, 15; Deacons, 3; Total, 19. Deceased, 1; Ordained—1 Priest, 3 Deacons, Total 4; Candidates for Orders, 3; Parishes added, 2; whole number, 24. Churches building, 1; Built, 2; Consecrated, 1; Opened for service, but not yet consecrated, 2; Whole number, 25; Parsonages added, 1; Present number, 4; Baptisms—Infants, 468; Adults, 69—total, 537; Confirmations, 279; Communicants added, 408; Whole number, 813; Marriages, 186; Funerals, 356; Sunday School Teachers, 189; Scholars, 1379.

Contributions—Missions	Foreign.....	$987 33
	Domestic,.....	1,080 68
	Diocesan,.....	772 47
Total,.....		2,840 48
Support of the Episcopate,.....		1,086 50
Aged and Infirm Clergy,.....		341 32
Parochial and other objects,.....		33,763 94

The comparison of the present statistics, with those reported to the General Convention of 1853, shows an encouraging progress in this Diocese, where the Church was so long languishing and depressed. It appears that the number of the Clergy has increased one fifth; of Baptisms, one fifth; of Confirmations, one half; of Communicants, one third. Then no Candidates for Orders were reported. There are now three, and two have been recently ordained. The Sunday School Teachers and Scholars are almost doubled. The Contributions to Missions have increased sixty per cent., and those for parochial and other objects more than four hundred per cent. We have lost by death, the services of a highly respected and active Clergyman, the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold.

MARYLAND.

Through the good Providence of the Divine Head, the Church in Maryland exhibits the following statistics of her condition and prospects.

Present number of Clergy, 147, consisting of the Bishop, 136 Presbyters, 10 Deacons; of these 93 are Rectors, 1 Associate Minister, 13 Assistant Ministers, 6 Missionaries, 3 Chaplains in the United States service, 2 Presidents of Colleges, 4 Principals of Church Schools, 3 Chaplains in Literary or eleemosynary institutions, 7 Professors in Colleges, 10 otherise engaged in teaching, 7 disabled by disease, 3 superannuated, 2 under discipline.

Of the Rectors of parishes and congregations, 10 hold 2 cures; and 2, 3; 3 are doing Missionary duty in addition to their cures; 9 teaching schools; 2 have professorships in Colleges; 1 maintains himself by labor as a scribe, and 1 has been just transferred.

The number of Parishes is 82; Congregations and Cures, 85; total 167. Now vacant, 3.

Of the Clergy 2 Presbyters, (the Rev. Henry Aisquith, and the Rev. Breed Batchelder,) have been removed by death.

Thirty-one have been dismissed to other Dioceses, viz: to Vermont, 1; Connecticut, 1; Western New York, 1; New York, 5; Pennsylvania, 6; Delaware, 1; Virginia, 4; North Carolina, 4; Georgia, 1; Ohio, 3; Florida, 2; Kentucky, 2; Mississippi, 1.

Fifty-two have been received, viz: from Vermont, 1; Massachusetts, 2; Connecticut, 4; Western New York, 2; New York, 5; New Jersey, 3; Pennsylvania, 4; Delaware, 3; Virginia, 12; North Carolina, 5; Ohio, 2; Florida, 2; Louisiana, 2; Illinois, 1; Indiana, 1; Alabama, 2; Iowa, 1.

Two resident and officiating in the Diocese not yet canonically received.

Four have been deposed, viz.: Rev. John Robbins, Francis A. Baker, and Thomas Quinan, having connected themselves with other denominations of Christians, and the Rev. Edward Waylen on his renunciation of the ministry upon removal from the country.

One Presbyter, the Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., was during the last General Convention elevated to the Episcopate.

The ordinations have been 10 stated, 6 special; 16 Presbyters, 11 Deacons. Nine Churches have been consecrated, also 1 burial-ground. Four have been dedicated, after great enlargement or repair. Churches, for various reasons unconsecrated or in progress of building, 21.

The present number of Communicants, 9596. Baptisms—Adults, 621; Infants, 6,043; total, 6664. Burials, 2716; Marriages, 1529; Episcopal Visitations, 218; number confirmed, 2,511, on 202 occasions.

Sunday School Teachers, (very imperfect,) 374; Scholars, 3,600; Parochial School Teachers, 33; Scholars, 646.

In the various institutions of learning, over which the Church exercises supervision, many are now being educated, in a true sense, for various spheres of active life.

The Diocesan College of St. James, reports 80 pupils. This College is, in the judgment of the Bishop, behind no other in the land, in regard to all essential academical advantages; while "in point of training—of that in which education really consists, *educing* the intellectual faculties, it is pronounced to be superior to any." It is earnestly hoped that the patronage extended to it by the Church at large may bear some proportion to its own intrinsic excellence and importance.

In presenting this statement of what the Church in Maryland has done for the promotion of sound learning, we would reiterate the oft expressed opinion that schools of a less expensive class are greatly needed, where her children may receive a plain but thorough English education at a charge within the means of the more indigent of our communion.

Contributions, since the last General Convention, as far as reported, for Church purposes, inclusive of the ordinary support of the Clergy, $197,000. This sum does not include amounts, in the aggregate, more than half of what has been stated, known to have been contributed for the erection, rebuilding, and repair of Church edifices; and which have not been reported. That nearly three hundred thousand dollars have been contributed by the Churchmen of Maryland in the short space of three years, though much below their ability to give, is a significant and cheering sign, and the omen, we trust, of still better things. Without laying undue stress upon this great increase of our offerings to

God, and the number of persons confirmed, we are thankful for what has been accomplished, and take courage.

TABULAR VIEW.

Clergy,.....	147	Communicants, total,.....	9,596
Parishes,.....	167	Confirmed,.....	2,511
Baptism, Adults,.....	621	Marriages,.....	1,529
Infants,.....	6,043	Funerals,.....	2,716
Total Baptisms,.....	6,664		
Sunday School Teachers,...	374	Contributions,.....	$197,000 00
Scholars....	3,600	Episcopal Fund,.....	36,675 30

VIRGINIA.

The Episcopal and Parochial reports, for the triennial term, from May, 1853 to May, 1856, furnish for this Diocese, the following:

STATISTICS:

Number of Clergy reported, May, 1856,.....							111
" Communicants,.....							6,527
" " added since 1853,.....							2,394
" " died, removed, &c.,.....							1,621
actually gained,.....							773
Baptisms, Infants, White,	1,955	; Colored,	416	; Total,	2,371		
" Adults, "	392	; "	90	;.. "	482		
Confirmations, "	1,290	; "	110	;.. "	1,400		
Marriages, "	1,789	; "	234	;.. "	2,023		
Funerals, "	1,854	; "	302	;.. "	2,156		
Ordinations, Deacons,.....							20
Presbyters,.....							16
Candidates,.....							12
Parishes,.....							135
Churches Consecrated,.....							7
Episcopal Families, reported,.....							2,019
Sunday School Teachers,.....							648
" Scholars, White,.....							3,915
" " Colored, orally taught..,.							265
Contributions to the cause of religion,.....							$135,877 89
Episcopal Fund,.....							15,833

Bishop's salaries and other Diocesan expenses, met by a tax of $1,00 upon each Communicant.

These Statistics furnish only an approximate view of the condition of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in Virginia. The actual efficiency of the Diocese is doubtless considerably greater than these figures indicate. The reports in the Diocesan Journals, from which they are taken, are often incomplete, and indeed seldom accurate, owing, in part, to the fact

that the Episcopal Population is so widely diffused in proportion to the number of Clergy. And notwithstanding the additions annually made from the Seminary at Alexandria, to the Clerical force of the Diocese, it is found extremely difficult to keep supplied even the old parishes, so great is the demand for ministers from this state to fill important points in other Dioceses.

That the operative strength of the Diocese is however on the whole encouragingly increasing, admits of no doubt. And there are in its present condition tokens of prosperity in the truest sense, for which gratitude is due to the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

The Seminary at Alexandria now well endowed and secured by Charter is in more complete working order and promises more abundant usefulness, than at any former period, whether we regard its buildings, its freedom from debt, the character of its Professors, the number of its students, or the Spiritual and Missionary tone which continues to prevail amongst them.

The High School of the Diocese adjacent to the Seminary and under the guardianship of the same Board of Trustees, continues in a highly flourishing condition.

The Diocesan Missionary Society expends about $35,000 annually, a small sum for the size of the Territory to be supplied.

The position of the Clergy as to their temporal support, is being gradually improved. There is believed to be an increased attention to the religious instruction of the colored population, and increased success in their conversion.

The Diocese rejoices in the faithfulness unto death of two of her sons, in the plague which nearly depopulated two of her sea-board towns. The Rev. James Chisholm, of Portsmouth, and the Rev. Wm. M. Jackson, of Norfolk.

But beyond all things else, the Diocese has had occasion to rejoice in an increased sensibility to religion, especially in institutions of learning and among the young, which has already resulted in a great increase in the number of candidates for the Ministry.

The Deputy from Virginia who submits this summary is aware of the temptation to give flattering accounts by stating the good more strongly than its accompanying and qualifying evil. This evil is the same that is encountered elsewhere, the world, the flesh, and the devil. But it is due

to the general interest to state in this connection, that the effects of her Diocesan legislation, and the fidelity of her clergy, in applying it, has tended much to elevate the tone of christian behaviour in the Church, without having been accompanied with any peculiar evil whatsoever.

NORTH CAROLINA.

During the last three years the Church in North Carolina nas by the blessing of her gracious Head been making steady though not rapid progress. The apostacy of the late Bishop produced far less disastrous results than might have been anticipated from the authority of his office, and the love and influence which he once personally enjoyed in his Diocese. It is probable indeed that his open defection as compared with his former equivocal course, was a relief rather than a blow to the Church, by putting an end to paralysing fears and jealousies, and restoring confidence and affection among our own household of faith, and on the part of the community towards our entire body. It is not known that a single person in the Diocese has followed the example set them by one once so loved and honored.

The present number of Clergymen in the Diocese is forty-five, consisting of the Bishop, thirty-five Presbyters, and nine Deacons.

This is an increase of 9 in the entire number of the Clergy since the last General Convention—8 Priests and 10 Deacons having been ordained, 9 besides the Bishop having been received into the Diocese, 10 having been transferred from it, and 1 having died.

Of Candidates for Orders, 11 have been admitted, 3 from other Dioceses; 1 has been transferred, and there are now 7.

Of communicants, the number reported to the last Diocesan Convention, was 2,475, being an increase of 797 over that reported in the year 1853, which was however supposed to be less than the true number, because of the then peculiar circumstances of the Diocese.

The Baptisms have been of Adults, 370; Of Infants 1918, in all 2288.

The Confirmations have been 804; The marriages reported 209; Funerals 656.

The catechumens reported are 1344; 7 churches have been consecrated; and it is an encouraging circumstance that

more is now being done in the erection of new churches and the enlargement of the old, than at any previous perio in the history of the Diocese.

The contributions reported, to religious and charitabl objects amount to $63,751 53; There is an Episcopal Fun amounting to $12,823 38, and a permanent Diocesa Missionary Fund of $1634 50.

A Diocesan Church Building Society was organized a the last Convention from which much good is confidentl anticipated.

The Church in North Carolina is far from being up t the mark of its duty in the great work of religious educa tion, but it is cheering to know that the Diocesan Femal School at Raleigh enjoys great prosperity, and that a Dio cesan Male School has recently been established at Ashville which, though yet in its infancy, promises to be of essentia benefit to the interests of religion, and sound learning.

In conclusion it may be said, that from the extent of th Territory of North Carolina, the want of concentration o effort because of its possessing no large city, the sparsenes of the population, and the hereditary alienation of a larg part of its population from the Church, there are peculia difficulties in the work of the Church there,—while i the unity of feeling which has ever characterized th Diocese in the absence of bitter and organized oppo sition, and in the rapid advancement in education, intelli gence and material prosperity of the people among whom the work of the Church is to be done, there is muc to encourage hope. What is especially needed is a increase of faithful ministers, greater zeal and self-denia on the part of the laity, and in all and above all, a pro found conviction of the vanity of things temporal, and the nearness and the infinite importance of things eternal.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Under the Good Providence of God, the Church in thi Diocese presents an increasingly prosperous condition, a appears from the following Statistics, extending from th 1st of January 1853, to the 1st of January 1856.

Ordinations—Deacons 5; Priests 5; Total 10—Conse crations—Churches, 9; Confirmed—Whites, 570; Colored 1283; Total, 1853; Clergy—Died, 5; Rev. J. Ward Simons, Rev. F. P. Delaveaux, Rev. Benj. C. Webb, Rev.

Edw. Phillips, and Rev. Robert Henry, D. D., Deposed, 1. Augustus L. Converse. The present number of Clergymen, 70; viz. Bishop, 1; Priests, 66; Deacons, 3; Parishes and Organized Congregations with Ministers 52; Without do., 4; Mission Congregations with Church Buildings and Ministers, 3; Church Buildings, 63; besides about 30 places of worship for Slaves on Plantations.

Families,	White, 1,787;	Colored not ascertained.			
Communicants,	" 2,971;	" 3,022;	Total,		5,993
Baptisms, Adults,	" 78;	" 813;	"		891
" Infants,	" 1,071;	" 1,905;	"		2,976
Marriages,	" 284;	" 287;	"		571
Burials,	" 800;	" 369;	"		1,169
Sunday School pupils,	" 1,125;	" 591;	"		1,716
" " Teachers,	" 191;	" 19;	"		210
Children Catechized, about	" 419;	abo't " 1,371;	"		1,790
Collections for Domestic and Foreign Missions,					$20,528
Diocesan					7,021
General, for Church Objects,					40,674
Permanent Funds for relief of aged and infirm Clergymen,					26,000
For support of Bishop,					60,000
For support of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy,					106,000
Of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina,					92,671
Of Church home, exclusive of dwelling					1,000
Of Ladies' Society for support of Missions in the City of Charleston,					11,493
Of three Scholarships in the General Theological Seminary, held in trust by Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina,					10,194

The Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen has on its bounty, 7 widows and 21 Children, at the annual cost of $5000.

The Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, has, besides the interest of the permanent fund, an annual income of $1000, derived from the payment of $5,00 each by its Members, and contributes to the support of 22 Missionaries. The fund for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen has no one on its bounty.

The Church Home has 38 inmates, consisting of Aged Females and Orphans, of whom 32 are sustained by the Institution, at the annual expense of about $2,400.

The Ladies Society for the Support of Missions in the City of Charleston, provides for the salaries of two Missionaries, one in St. Stephen's Chapel, and the other in St. Johns' Chapel, Charleston.

The Female Bible, Prayer Book, and Tract Society of Charleston, continues its labor of love with increased funds, and undiminished zeal and perseverance.

GEORGIA.

The number of Clergy at present canonically connected with this Diocese is twenty-two. Three from their body, viz.: the Rev. Rufus M. White, and the Rev. Wesley P. Gahagan, beloved and faithful Presbyters; and the Rev. Wm. J. McAulay, the latter within a few weeks after his ordination to the Diaconate, have, since the last General Convention, been transferred from the Church on earth, to the rest and peace of the Paradise of God. There have been two ordinations to the Priesthood, and two to the Diaconate, and one Presbyter has been deposed under the provisions of Canon V. of 1850. There are five Candidates for Holy Orders. Four Churches have been consecrated. There are twenty organized congregations, and five Parsonages.

Baptisms,.....	1,047
" reported to last General Convention,.....	986
Confirmed,.....	577
Do. reported to last Gen'l Conv'n.....	330
Communicants, present number,.....	1,736
" reported to last Gen'l Convention,..	1,120
Missionary Collections, Diocesan,.....	$5,719 21
" " Foreign,.....	3,436 27
" " Domestic,.....	2,334 21
	$11,489 69
" " reported to last Gen'l Con'n,	9,965 30
Collections for other Church and charitable objects,.....	$24,400 74

The amount under this head was not reported at the last General Convention, from the incompleteness of the parochial returns; but it fell largely short of the amount, as above stated, for the last three years.

A commencement has been made of a Fund, for the support of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, by a generous bequest of one thousand dollars, for that purpose, by Dr. R. E. Eliott, which has been paid over by his executors.

Sunday School pupils, 1499—of whom 654 are negro children.

Sunday School pupils reported to the last General Convention, 1495.

The religious instruction of the Negroes is carried on

with increasing interest, especially on the seaboard, where this class is most numerous. They occupy the almost exclusive labors of two faithful and devoted Missionaries, one of whom has gathered 330, and the other 220, of the children into their Sunday School. Other Congregations in the Diocese have also their colored Sunday Schools, where the children are orally instructed in the truths of the Gospel, and trained in certain portions of the Church's worship, not without encouraging tokens of the Divine blessing. In the cure of one of the Missionaries above mentioned, 148 of this class of people, after a faithful course of previous instruction, received on a single occasion during the past year, the Holy rite of Confirmation. In two of the larger congregations, Church Asylums for Orphan Children are sustained with commendable liberality.

On the whole we thankfully recognize in a steady and wholesome growth during the last three years, encouraging tokens of the favor of the great Head of the Church.

FLORIDA.

Though the Church in this Diocese is yet feeble, we are encouraged by the measure of success that has attended the labors of her Bishop and Clergy, seconded by the co-operation of the larger portion of the laity. Each visitation of the Bishop has served to strengthen the impression that the Episcopate is essential to the unity and prosperity of the Church, as well as to increase in us, reverence and love for our Rev. Father in God. Though several of our Parishes have suffered from remaining vacant a considerable length of time, yet in all others, without exception, that have been occupied, the Church has advanced, and achieved gratifying results.

We have to record the removal from us, by death, of two laymen, no less eminent and distinguished in the Church, by earnestness and *devotion* to her interest, than in civil position. While we lament the separation from our infant Diocese of the Hon. Isaac H. Bronson and the Hon. Thomas Douglas, yet we rejoice that they have left us their examples of faithfulness unto death as an heritage to animate and encourage us, in our Master's great work.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

One Bishop; 4 Priests; 2 Deacons. There have been 2 Ordinations to the Diaconate, and 1 to the Priesthood; 1

Priest has been deposed; 4 Clergymen have been rec
into the Diocese, and 3 have been removed from
Church edifices have been considerably enlarged and
proved; 2 have been built, and 3 are ready for consecr
Baptisms for the last three years have been as follow

		Confirmations.	
For 1854,.....	103	For 1854,.....	6
" 1855,.....	204	" 1855,.....	9
" 1856,.....	367	" 1856,.....	5
	674		21

Communicants, for 1854,..... 262
" 1855,..... 353
" 1856,..... 515 the present n
Marriages, for 3 three years,..... 10
Burials,..... 29
Sunday School Teachers, by last report, to Dioc. Conv'n . 7
Sunday School Scholars, for 1854,..... 33
" " 1855,..... 41
" " 1856,..... 55
Contributions for 1854,..... $6,1(
" 1855,..... 1,9(
" 1856,..... 3,67
$11,68

This sum is as reported in the Journals, and doe
include some recent subscriptions to the Episcopate F
and the Society for the Advancement of Christiani
Florida. This Society is found to be useful, though y
its infancy, having aided several Missionary stations.
this report it may be gathered, that Florida, thoug
organized Diocese, with a Bishop at its head, is as
Missionary ground as any other portion of our country
we greatly desire to invite the attention of the pious
benevolent to a field which promises success to labore
behalf of Christ and his Holy Church. A few good p
have aided us through the Advancement Society and c
wise; and we acknowledge our gratitude is due t
General Missionary Society for $500 a year to aid in
porting *Missionaries*—but we trust as the benefactions c
Church increase, that for the next year the Domestic
mittee will place at our Bishop's disposal at least $
We need more, but we will not ask for it. For the
part the work of the Church has been confined to the t
but, with ability to employ several travelling Mission

whose labors, under the direction of the Bishop, shall be confined to certain districts of country—we may anticipate not only the instruction and salvation of multitudes of persons, but an accession of real strength, which in a few years will enable us to do our own work without the assistance of the Missionary Society.

ALABAMA.

This Diocese has shared in the prosperity of the Church at large, and continues to increase in numbers and in influence.

Its Clergy number 28—Bishop, 1; Priests 25; Deacons, 2—Total, 28; Candidates for Holy Orders, 4; Parishes in union with the Convention, 29.

The following statistics are compiled from the Journals, and exhibit the growth of the Diocese, up to the 1st of May, 1856.

Ordained to the Diaconate,	6	
Ordained to the Priesthood,	6	
Churches Consecrated,	3	
Confirmations,	547	
Whole number of Church buildings,	31	
Rectories,	5	
Baptisms—Infants, 1206; Adults, 275—Total,	1481	
Communicants, added,	831	
Whole number,	1461	
Marriages,	247	
Funerals,	528	
Sunday School Teachers,	120	
" Scholars,	1000	
Contributions to Missions, Diocesan,	$ 901	58
" " Domestic,	1094	05
" " Foreign,	1315	75
General Contributions, not specified,	9378	23
Special Alms, and the like	7932	63

The Fund for the relief of Disabled Clergymen and the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy has been increased about $1200, and now amounts to $2,667 80.

The Episcopal Fund has also increased by the addition of $12,690 75, and its capital is now $25,690 75.

The Diocese has sustained the loss of one Clergyman by death. The Rev. N. P. Knapp was one of the few ministers who settled early in Alabama. His ministry was laborious and fruitful, and those who are left miss alike his efficient aid, and the beautiful example he afforded of fidelity and gentleness.

The tabular statements in the Diocesan Journals being defective, the statistics here given, are carefully compiled from the parochial reports. A comparison of them with the statistics presented at the last General Convention affords several gratifying results.

The Baptisms, Confirmations, additions to the Communion, and Contributions to benevolent objects are about double what they were in a similar period, from 1850 to 1853; and the Communicants have increased, within the three years, 40 per cent. in numbers.

The number of Confirmations would have been greater, but for the inability of the Bishop through ill health to perform his usual visitations.

MISSISSIPPI.

Although the increase of the Church in this Diocese has not equalled the ardent wishes of its friends, yet, by the grace of God, its progress has been steadily onward, and the tabular view hereunto appended, when compared with that presented to the last General Convention, exhibits gratifying results.

The number of families is largely increased, four new Church Edifices have been consecrated, five Priests and four Deacons ordained, and the number of Communicants in the Diocese is very nearly doubled.

In 1855 the Diocese sustained a great loss in the death of the Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Jackson, the Rev. A. D. Corbyn, who fell a victim to the epidemic which prevailed in Jackson, during a part of that year. He was an efficient faithful and highly esteemed Clergyman, and his death is deeply lamented by his Congregation and by all who knew him.

The present state of the Diocese is exhibited in the following view.

Parishes,	32
Clergymen,	31
Families,	750
Baptisms,—Adults, 409; Infants, 1112; Total,	1521
Persons Confirmed,	491
Communicants,	1037
Marriages,	152
Funerals,	302
Sunday School Teachers,	97
S. S. Scholars,	673
Contributions	$35,123

LOUISIANA.

The last three Conventions of the Church in Louisiana, exhibit the following Statistical Report.

Ministers, exclusive of the Bishop, 31;—all Presbyters. Parishes in union with the Convention, 29; Parishes not in union with the Convention, 10; Baptisms, 2373; Marriages, 673; Burials, 1279; Confirmed, 559; Communicants, 1421; Sunday School teachers, 65; Sunday Scholars 1287; Ordinations, 4 to the Priesthood, and 1 to the Diaconate; Consecrations of Churches, 4; Contributions for Church objects, $45,000; Candidates for Orders, 3.

This portion of our Church is giving evident signs of enlargement. The rural Clergy, almost all of them, preach regularly to the Slaves, whilst there are some who devote their energies entirely to that population. The Slaves on some of the Plantations are instructed every Sabbath by their Masters, and many Plantations would be placed under the instruction of Ministers, if such Ministers could be had.

Sunday Schools have been established on some plantations, but the number of Scholars has not been reported.

There are thirty plantations or more under regular Ministerial instruction. In the City of New Orleans there is one Congregation of colored persons, who for the present hold their meetings in the French Protestant Episcopal Church. There is one Church appropriated to the seamen. Of the amount contributed for Church objects, about, $20,000 have been placed to the Bishop's Fund.

TEXAS.

There have been in this Diocese since the General Convention of 1853,

Baptisms,—Adults, 45; Infants, 238; Total,	283
Confirmations,	105
Present number of Communicants,	500
Marriages,	73
Funerals,	127
Contributions,	$12,721

There have been no funds raised for the support of the Episcopate.

The present number of parishes is,	16
Clergymen,	13

One Presbyter and two Deacons have been ordained and one Church Consecrated.

No report has been made of Sunday Schools except from one parish.

Teachers, 5; Scholars, 40.

TENNESSEE.

The number of organized parishes in this Diocese is 20; The number of Clergy connected with the Diocese, consisting of the Bishop and 20 Priests, 21; The number of Candidates for Holy Orders, 4; The number of Communicants is 862; During the last three years there have been Baptisms of adults, 119; of Infants, 564; total, 683; Confirmations, 291; Marriages, 92; Burials, 182; Ordinations to the Diaconate, 3; to the Priesthood, 3; total 6; Church consecrated, 1.

The amount of Contributions for various Church objects (of which a large proportion was made through the weekly offertory) reported during the last three years, is $21,782.

KENTUCKY.

The Committee on the State of the Church for the Diocese of Kentucky, make the following statement of its condition for the three years last past.

The number of Clergymen connected with the Diocese is now 31; and there has been little variation from this number for the period above specified. Two new parishes have been received into connection with the Convention, the whole number of parishes being now 25; Baptisms, Adults, 192; Infants, 900; Total, 1092; Confirmed, 513; Communicants added, 698; whole number now, 1465; Marriages, 227; Funerals, 449; Sunday School Teachers, 181; Sunday School Scholars, 1881; Churches built, 3; Ordinations to the Diaconate, 3; to the Priesthood, 4; Candidates for Holy Orders, 2; Number of pupils in Parochial Schools, and in Schools under the superintendence of the Clergy or Laity of the Church, 1200; Contributions for Church Objects, not including the current expenses of Churches, $52,519 23; Of this sum there was contributed for Foreign and Domestic Missions, $2,940 95; and for Diocesan Missions, $11,210 98.

The Church in Kentucky is not standing still, but she is not making the progress which could be desired. Greater attention is given to the education of youth than formerly, so that we have several large and flourishing female Schools under the direction and control of members of the Church, either Clerical or Lay. We hope at no distant day to see Shelby College wholly unembarrassed, and offering a broad foundation on which to build a literary Institution, that shall prove a great blessing to the Western Church. More than usual attention is given in some quarters to the religious instruction of Servants, and when this duty shall be more generally discharged, we may hope for a greater blessing on our other labors. This Diocese presents an extensive and interesting field for the exercise of the Ministry, of earnest and practical men,—a ready spiritual harvest awaiting all such reapers.

MISSOURI.

	A. D. 1854.	A. D. 1855.	A. D. 1856,	Total.
Clergy,.....	16	22	23	
" Received,.....	2	4	2	8
" Transferred,.....	2	1	2	5
" Died,.....	2	0	0	2
" Parishes,.....	17	21	24	
" Parsonages,.....				4
Churches Consecrated,...	1	0	0	1
Ready to be Consecrated,.				2
Ordinations of Deacons,..	1	3	1	5
" " Priests,...	0	1	3	4
Candidates adm'td (3 at present,)	2	2	1	5
Lay readers admitted,....	1	1	1	3
Baptisms, Adults,.....	16	23	33	71
" Infants,.....	157	214	201	572
Confirmed,.....	68	123	129	320
Communicants,.....	784	878	1098	
Marriages,.....	52	60	74	186
Burials,.....	101	183	126	410
Sunday School Teachers,.	77	102	96	
" " Scholars,.	600	695	665	
Contributions For. Missions,	$123 40	$38 50	$175 45	$337 35
" Dom. Missions,	$81 35	$103 60	$278 60	$463 55
Extra Diocesan purposes,	$1,268 60	$65 50	$613 37	$1,947 47
Diocesan,.....	$10,567 49	$5,866 74	$34,429 81	$50,864 04
Total,.....	$12,040 84	$6,074 34	$35,497 23	$53,612 41

The foregoing Tabular Statement, presents a fair view of the condition of the Diocese, with the exception that three

of the Clergy canonically attached, are not resident therein; and some Parishes are without a Minister. Such vacancies as cannot be filled, will however probably be remedied in part, and continued aggressions will, if possible, be made upon other unoccupied portions of the field, by the projected itinerant and missionary operations of the Diocese. The growth and progress of the Church in Missouri, is sure, though gradual, and the number of permanent establishments there, is continually increasing. This fact is especially worthy of note, that all debts upon Parishes or Institutions of the Church in this Diocese have now been removed, and that a new impulse has thus been given to the work.

The release of the Bishop from the active labors of a Parish, has greatly promoted the welfare of the Diocese; and its present effort to procure his permanent independence of any Parish, by the endowment of the Episcopate, which is likely to be soon successful, will undoubtedly continue to promote the growth of the Church in Missouri.

This Diocese has now its College of St. Paul's in Palmyra for young men, Candidates for Orders; its Orphans' Home in St. Louis; and a School for girls in Boonville, all well established, and actively engaged in their several departments. It will well repay the devoted labors of its spiritual husbandmen.

ILLINOIS.

Since the General Convention of 1853, there have been:

Baptized—Infants, 1,272; Adults, 195; Total—1,467.

Confirmations,	633
Marriages,	867
Funerals,	845
The number of Communicants added, net gain is	731
Making the present number,	2,393
The number of Parishes added is,	16
Making the present number,	68
There has been an addition to the Diocese of Clergymen,	13
Ordinations,—Priests	5
Deacons,	4
Making the present number,	48

One Clergyman, the Rev. S. R. Child, has been removed by death. There are at this time 9 Candidates for Holy Orders.

There have been within the past twelve months, also, 31 Baptisms, and 95 Confirmations in the State Prison under the ministrations of the Rev. Dr. McMasters, Chaplain of the Prison.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Diocesan Missions,	$2,397 54
For Domestic Missions,	998 56
Foreign Missions,	755 77
Communion Alms,	3,318 36

Jubilee College is now in a flourishing condition; and bids fair at no distant day to rest on a firm footing, and be an ornament and support to the Diocese as well as a noble monument to its venerable Founder.

INDIANA.

Since the last General Convention, this Diocese has decidedly gained in strength. We are happy to say that the project to relieve the Bishop from the cares and labors of a Parochial charge has been carried into effect, and we cannot but think that it has added much to the efficiency of his Episcopal labors, and that the increase in the next three years will be still greater than in the past.

The Diocese at present consists of the Bishop, 21 Presbyters, 2 Deacons, Candidates for Holy Orders, 4; Organized Parishes, 30; Communicants, 1,058; Sunday School Teachers, 134; Scholars, 834; Since the last Triennial Report; 7 Candidates for Holy Orders have been admitted; 9 Deacons have been ordained to the Priesthood, and 5 Candidates have been admitted to Deacon's Orders; 4 Churches have been consecrated; 1 Clergyman, the Rev. Walter E. Franklin, has died; The Baptisms since the last General Convention have been,

Adults, 136; Infants, 520;—Total, 656.

Confirmed,	364
Marriages,	167
Burials,	232
Contributions,	$18,104 35

The Capital of the Permanent Episcopal Fund is, $606 81, of which a portion is in Illinois land, and the remainder in Bank Stocks in the State of Indiana.

The Diocese by assessments on the Parishes, raises $1000 for the support of the Episcopate. We deem it not

unimportant to state that seven Parishes in this Diocese have provided Parsonage houses for the more comfortable maintenance of their respective Rectors.

OHIO.

TABULAR STATEMENT—EPISCOPAL ACTS.

Ordinations: Deacons, 16; Presbyters, 16.	
Confirmed,	1212
Candidates for Orders,	5
Churches consecrated,	5
Clergy received on Letters dimissory,	22
Dismissed,	22

GENERAL VIEW.

Organized Parishes, 92; a gain of 9 in the three years.

Clergy: 1 Bishop, 75 Presbyters, 10 Deacons, } At last General Convention, 72.

Clergymen deceased, 1

Baptisms.	1854	1855	1856	Total.
Infants,	561	390	541	1492
Adults,	88	75	105	268
	649	465	646	1760
Confirmations,	545	266	401	1212
Marriages,	255	145	272	672
Burials,	459	244	381	1184
Communicants,				4992
Sunday School Teachers,				434
" Scholars,				3253
Contributions,				
Missions,	$ 7,652	10,349	10,125	$28,126
Other purposes,	36,036	14,436	54,262	104,734
	$43,688	24,785	64,387	132,860

We are thankful to the great Head of the Church, that the statistics of this Diocese show so marked an advance in all that concerns at least its outward prosperity. The only falling off as compared with the last Report, is in the number of Candidates for Orders. That deficiency, however, is rather apparent than real; as, since the late Ordinations, the Standing Committee has not taken action on the cases of the new Candidates; a number of whom are known to be in preparation for the sacred Ministry, though not as yet formally admitted.

The Confirmations have been much more numerous than in former years. The number of vacant Parishes has been

diminished, while new and promising fields have been occupied.

By the kindness of God's Providence, only one death has occurred amongst our Clergy, that of the Rev. Mark Richard Inkes, who fell a martyr to his faithfulness, during a visitation of the cholera, in 1854. The Bishop, in his Convention address, says of him, "The mind of Christ was his, and the annointing of the Spirit was upon him; we have lost a most earnest, spiritually-minded, self-denying Brother, and his Parish has lost a most faithful Pastor."

Among the signal blessings vouchsafed to this Diocese, we must mention the remarkable interest in personal religion that has existed in our institutions, at Gambier, under the Ministry of the Rev. N. H. Schenck. From the address of the Bishop, to the last Convention, we learn that of 118 under-graduates in the College and Grammar Schools, 76 were Communicants of the Church.

Under the faithful efforts of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, there has been accomplished a great work within the last three years; a work which we trust will tell upon the future, with continually accumulating power. For Diocesan Missions and Education more than $14,000 have been obtained during this period: about $9000 of which which was collected in the Diocese. At the last report, 33 young men were receiving aid through the Committee. Of these, some are in Bexley Hall, and others in the College and its preparatory department. The increase of labor and responsibility in this work has led to the appointment of two Committees instead of one. The Education Committee having its members in and near Gambier, while the Missionary Committee, whose members are distributed over the Diocese, holds its meetings at Columbus.

Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary have received valuable accessions to the Corps of Professors, and a large addition to the number of Students. The College, under the Presidency of Lorin Andrews, promises soon to take rank among the first, if not to be itself the first of all the Institutions of learning in the West. The increase of Students already calls for the erection of additional buildings, and the endowment of new professorships. For this purpose an appeal is about to be made to the Church: the Trustees and the friends of the Institution generally,

being satisfied that its remaining valuable landed property should by all means be preserved, for the present, undiminished. Although comparatively unproductive of revenue, it secures to the Institution advantages, which all who have visited Gambier can readily appreciate, and which are indeed indispensable to its best interests.

Ohio has at present no Episcopal Fund. Besides the property of Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary, of which mention was made in the last Triennial Report, there is what is called "the Lorillard Fund," for the Relief of Indigent and Infirm Clergymen of Ohio; the principal of which now amounts to $7000, and from the income of which three beneficiaries are relieved. The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen has invested about $9000. This Society, it may be added, is now aiding in the support of the Orphan children of two of our most valued Clergy, who were taken away at their posts of duty in the prime of their days; the one, with his wife, falling victims to the yellow fever in the South; the other, with his wife, dying of cholera in Ohio.

MICHIGAN.

Since the last General Convention, 7 Clergymen have been received into the Diocese, and 4 have been dismissed to other Dioceses.

There have been 14 Ordinations—8 Deacons, and 6 Priests. The present number of Clergymen is 40—the Bishop, 34 Priests, and 5 Deacons; 5 Clergymen have deceased, viz.: Rev. Charles Fox, Rev. Charles C. Taylor, Rev. Wm. Burton, Rev. Thomas Smith, and the Rev. A. S. Hollister. There are 43 organized Parishes, of which 7 are now vacant; 2 Churches have been consecrated; 2 having been enlarged and improved have been re-opened with appropriate services, and 5 are supposed to be nearly ready for consecration. Baptisms in 30 Parishes, 1110, of which 196 were adults; Confirmations, 404; Marriages, 473: Burials, 675; Communicants, in 32 Parishes, 1962; Sunday School Scholars, in 16 Parishes, 1039; Teachers, 163.

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WISCONSIN.

The Diocese of Wisconsin is by the Lord's blessing in a highly prosperous condition. Amid a population of 500,000, a very large proportion of whom are from foreign lands, there are 35 Parishes and 46 Clergy. The Missionary Bishop of the North-West is the Bishop of Wisconsin. The unanimous voice of the Diocese, elected the first Missionary Bishop consecrated by the Protestant Church since the Reformation. When Bishop Kemper was sent forth to the North-West, in 1835, there was scarcely a white inhabitant in Wisconsin.

Nashotah Mission, established in 1841, has, under God, been the instrument of extending the Church so widely in this Diocese. Without any endowment, without any permanent resource, being dependent solely on alms and offerings, this school of the sons of the Prophets has added to the number of the Ministry 33 Clergy, 12 of whom are in Wisconsin. 5 Presbyters, and 36 young men preparing for the Holy Ministry, are now at Nashotah, dependent for their daily bread upon the contents of the daily mail.

Racine College continues in successful operation with an increasing number of Students and an able Faculty.

Oconomonoc Female Seminary has recently opened under the auspices of the Convention, with the happiest prospects of success.

The Oneida Indian Mission, near Green Bay, prospers under the care of an Alumnus of Nashotah; and with the other Institutions named, calls for the efficient sympathy of the wise and good.

The education of the young is attracting much attention, as may be seen, not only in the flourishing Parochial schools in Delafield, Portage, and Milwaukie, but also in the following resolutions, unanimously adopted by the last annual Convention:

"WHEREAS, Man is an immortal being, having a spiritual and moral constitution which adapts him to be trained for Heaven, and also,

"WHEREAS, These facts indicate that he must be trained upon distinct principles by a distinct agency; and

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"*Resolved*, That upon these grounds, this Convention recognizes the duty of every Clergyman, and every Layman of the Church in Wisconsin to support education upon these principles and to develope them in their fullest distinctness as concerns Church Schools of all kinds,—Parish Schools, Church Colleges, Seminaries for boys, and also Academies of the highest order for young ladies; and that every Clergyman and every Layman is hereby recommended to take all care that the Children of the Church under his influence, be so placed, that the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, taught by the authority, and under the influence of the Church, be made integral and fundamental parts of their education."

One Clergyman has been called from his labors to rest in the Lord until his perfect consummation and bliss both in body and soul. Rev. George Thompson, Rector of St James's Church, Manitowoc, died in September, 1855.

The following statistics complete the report from this Diocese: Clergy,—Bishop, 1; Presbyters, 41; Deacons, 4: Parishes 35; Families, 783; Communicants, 1172; Sunday School Scholars, 1351; Candidates for Holy Orders, 12; Baptisms, (1853–56,) 1192; Confirmed, 468; Marriages, 826: Burials, 565; Parochial Contributions, $30,087 20; Missionary Contributions, $4,203 03; Churches Consecrated, 6; Priests Ordained, 10; Deacons Ordained, 8.

IOWA.

This Diocese effected its independent organization just before the last General Convention, and two years since elected a Bishop, in whom its Clergy and Laity repose the fullest confidence. His labors have been greatly blessed not only in extending and strengthening the Church, but in securing the foundation of a fund for the support of the Episcopate, and for Educational and Missionary objects within the Diocese. This fund promises to meet in a few years, in a satisfactory manner, the important objects for which it has been created. The labors of the Bishop in the performance of his strictly Episcopal duties have not extended over a greater period than sixteen or eighteen months. In that time, however, most of the Parishes on

the Mississippi have become self-supporting, and some of them have already contributed liberally towards the extension of the Church in other portions of the State. New Parishes have also arisen on the Mississippi, and on the banks of several of its important tributaries, particularly on the Cedar and Desmoines. The Church has also been planted on the Missouri at Council Bluffs. There is also at the present time a Diocesan Missionary Organization under the care of the Bishop and Standing Committee. The number of Clergymen is now 20, including the Bishop, with 25 organized Parishes, and about 500 Communicants. In the last three years there have been 241 Baptisms, 132 Confirmations, 214 Communicants added, 44 marriages, 87 burials, and Church offerings to the amount of $21,788 98.

These statistics and facts in regard to this infant Diocese show that the growth, though small, is yet vigorous and full of promise for the State of Iowa, and the countless multitudes of men, who will at no distant day be found upon her soil.

CALIFORNIA.

The Missionary Bishop for the State of California, elected by the General Convention of the Church, in A. D. 1853, arrived in San Francisco, California, in February, A. D. 1854. Finding that a Diocese had already been organized in California, under a Constitution adopted in Convention, held in San Francisco, in July of the year 1850; upon deliberation, the Missionary Bishop decided to recognize the existing Diocese, and at once applied all his efforts to complete and expand the organization already begun. The Constitution of this Diocese having since been amended, so as to conform with the requirements of Article I. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, the Diocese of California was admitted into Union with the General Convention of the Church at its present session in Philadelphia, this October, 1856.

The following statistics are offered as the nearest approximation to an accurate report of the progress of the Church, since the arrival of the Missionary Bishop, which can be drawn up from the partial records of the Diocesan Journals.

Baptised—Adults, 22—Infants, 350—Total,.....	372
Confirmed,.....	116
Communicants,.....	383
Sunday School Scholars,.....	409
Marriages,.....	196
Funerals,.....	153
Ordinations—Deacon, 1,.....	1
Churches—Consecrated, 1; Built since the arrival of the Bishop, 2; and 1 built before, but not Consecrated, making in all,.....	4
Institutions of Learning, 3,.....	3

Viz: A Female Seminary, in Sonoma, under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Ver Mehr; a Female Seminary, in San Francisco, under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Shepherd; and a Grammar School, for Boys, of excellent standing, under the charge of two Churchmen, graduates of English Universities. This is not strictly a Diocesan Institution, although from the first it has been fostered by our Church, and has had the advantage of the Missionary Bishop's counsel and favor.

Considerable sums of money have been contributed in the various Parishes of the Diocese—for Church building—for Orphans' Asylums—to the Diocesan Fund—to the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions—to the Prayer Book and Tract Society—and to the Sunday School Union—and for other Religious and Charitable uses—but the Journals do not supply data for a full memorandum of the specific sums so appropriated. Notwithstanding the peculiar difficulties which oppose the extension of the Church in a community so new and so miscellaneous as that of California, much under GOD'S favor, has already been accomplished with the aid derived from the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions,—and it may be said in concluding this Report, that the chief want now felt in the Diocese of California—her imperative crying need, is of Clergymen—Missionaries—earnest, energetic followers of our Holy Master—to make the various resources of the Diocese, whether of pecuniary ability, or cordial Churchmen-like zeal available to found and sustain new Parishes, and to render its tribute of gratitude to the Church at large, by cherishing the Institutions which she employs for the promulgation of the blessed Gospel—and the consummation of our daily prayer, "Thy Kingdom Come."

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TABULAR VIEW.—No. I.

EPISCOPAL ACTS.

DIOCESES.	BISHOPS.	Candidates for Orders.	Ordinations.		Churches Consecrated.	Confirmations.
			Deacons.	Priests.		
Maine	George Burgess	4	6	2	5	273
New Hampshire	Carlton Chase	1	.....	3	.....	132
Vermont	John Henry Hopkins	2	1	2	1	239
Massachusetts	Manton Eastburn	9	9	6	4	960
Rhode Island	Thomas M. Clark	2	3	2	.....	488
Connecticut	Thos. Church Brownell John Williams	27	26	18	7	1938
New York	B. T. Onderdonk (susp.) Horatio Potter	36	49	27	27	5778
Western New York	Wm. H. De Lancey	14	10	13	11	2204
New Jersey	George W. Doane	14	9	10	11	1411
Pennsylvania	Alonzo Potter	28	21	18	15	3242
Delaware	Alfred Lee	3	3	1	1	279
Maryland	Wm. R. Whittingham	16	11	16	9	2511
Virginia	William Meade John Johns	12	20	16	7	1400
North Carolina	Thomas Atkinson	7	10	8	7	804
South Carolina	Thomas F. Davis	8	5	5	9	1853
Georgia	Stephen Elliott, Jr	5	2	2	4	577
Florida	Francis H. Rutledge	.....	2	1	.....	210
Alabama	Nicholas H. Cobbs	4	6	6	3	547
Mississippi	Wm. M. Green	4	4	5	4	491
Louisiana	Leonidas Polk	3	1	4	4	559
Texas	George W. Freeman	.....	2	1	1	105
Tennessee	James H. Otey	4	3	3	1	291
Kentucky	Benjamin B. Smith	2	3	4	3	513
Ohio	Charles P. McIlvaine	5	16	16	5	1212
Indiana	George Upfold	4	5	9	4	364
Illinois	Henry J. Whitehouse	9	4	5	.....	733
Michigan	Samuel A. McCoskry	2	8	6	2	404
Missouri	Cicero S. Hawks	3	5	4	1	320
Wisconsin	Jackson Kemper	12	8	10	6	468
Iowa	Henry W. Lee	3	1	4	2	132
California	W. I. Kip	.....	1		1	116

SUMMARY AND COMPARATIVE VIEW.

	1835.	1838.	1841.	1844.	1847.	1850.	1853.	1856.
Ch's consecrated	123	168	91	143	132	155	138*	155
Priests ordained	136	179	108	178	193	228	149	227
Deacons ordained	197	214	187	191	243	221	146	254
Total ordained	333	393	355	367	436	449	295†	481
Cand's for Orders	165	188	155	203	146	120	176‡	243
Confirmations	10,277	11,866	14,767	22,215	15,918	18,937	23,884§	30,644

* In 25 Dioceses. † In 23 Dioceses. ‡ In 24 Dioceses § In 29 Dioceses.

TABULAR VIEW.—No. II

ABSTRACT OF DIOCESAN REPORTS.

Dioceses.	Clergy.				Parishes.		Churches.		Par'n ages.	Baptisms.			Communicants.	Marriages.	Funerals.	S. schools.		Candidates.	Ordinat's		Confirmations.
	Bishops.	Priests.	Deacons.	Total.	Deaths.	Added.	Whole No.	Consecrated.	Added.	Total.	Infants.	Adults.	Total.						Deacons.	Priests.	
Maine	1	13	4	18	1	4	16	5	...	...	386	134	520	990	212	353	111	772	4	6	2	973
New Hampshire	1	11	2	14	1	...	13	...	...	...	165	40	205	581	106	162	42	858	1	...	3	132
Vermont	...	...	...	20	...	...	33	1	...	...	293	96	389	1,929	170	256	.....	.....	2	1	2	239
Massachusetts	1	...	...	77	3	6	60	4	...	...	2,504	286	2,790	6,027	1,053	1,728	.....	4,350	9	9	6	960
Rhode Island	1	27	4	32	1	...	25	...	...	...	675	205	880	2,736	416	806	320	2,259	2	3	2	488
Connecticut	2	...	...	122	4	...	112	7	...	...	2,721	697	3,418	10,389	1,304	2,818	1,075	6,107	27	26	18	1,938
New York	2	...	...	309	10	18	266	27	...	...	12,598	1,407	13,805	22,649	4,406	8,878	2,202	19,113	36	49	27	5,778
Western N. Y.	1	113	6	130	4	9	150	11	136	55	3,268	870	4,638	9,226	1,567	2,202	932	5,606	14	10	13	2,294
New Jersey	1	74	5	80	4	5	79	11	...	29	2,304	399	2,703	4,332	696	1,311	.....	.....	14	9	10	1,411
Pennsylvania	1	...	...	161	4	...	181	15	...	...	8,002	1,016	9,018	12,816	2,489	4,042	1,772	16,891	28	21	8	3,242
Delaware	1	15	3	19	1	2	24	1	1	4	468	69	537	813	186	356	189	1,379	3	3	1	279
Maryland	1	136	10	147	2	...	167	9	...	...	6,043	621	6,664	9,596	1,529	2,716	374	3,600	16	11	16	2,511
Virginia	2	...	...	111	2	...	135	7	...	...	2,371	482	2,853	6,527	2,023	2,156	648	4,180	12	20	16	1,400
North Carolina	1	35	9	45	1	...	.....	7	...	...	1,918	370	2,288	2,475	209	656	.....	1,344	7	10	8	804
South Carolina	1	66	3	70	5	...	66	9	...	...	2,976	891	3,867	6,993	671	1,169	210	1,716	8	5	5	1,863
Georgia	...	...	...	22	3	...	20	4	...	5	.....	.....	1,047	1,736	.....	.....	.....	1,499	5	2	2	577
Florida	1	4	2	7	...	...	10	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	515	104	208	70	550	...	2	1	210
Alabama	1	25	2	28	1	...	29	3	31	6	1,206	275	1,481	1,461	247	528	120	1,000	4	6	6	647
Mississippi	...	...	...	31	1	...	32	4	...	...	1,112	409	1,521	1,037	152	302	97	673	4	4	5	491
Louisiana	1	31	...	32	...	...	39	4	...	...	.....	.....	2,373	1,421	673	1,279	65	1,287	3	1	4	559
Texas	...	...	...	13	...	...	16	1	...	...	238	45	283	500	73	127	.....	.....	...	2	1	106
Tennessee	1	20	...	21	...	...	20	1	...	...	564	119	683	862	92	182	.....	.....	4	3	3	291
Kentucky	1	...	...	31	...	2	25	3	...	...	900	192	1,092	1,465	227	449	181	1,881	2	3	4	513
Ohio	1	75	10	86	1	9	92	5	...	...	1,492	268	1,760	4,992	672	1,184	434	3,253	5	16	16	1,212
Indiana	1	21	2	24	1	...	30	4	...	7	520	136	656	1,058	167	252	134	834	4	6	9	364
Illinois	1	...	...	49	1	16	68	...	...	...	1,272	226	1,498	2,393	867	845	.....	.....	9	4	5	733
Michigan	1	34	5	40	5	...	43	2	...	...	914	196	1,110	1,902	473	675	163	1,039	2	8	6	404
Missouri	1	...	...	23	2	...	24	1	...	...	572	71	643	1,098	186	410	96	665	3	5	4	320
Wisconsin	*	41	4	46	1	...	35	6	...	...	.....	.....	1,192	1,172	326	665	.....	1,351	12	8	10	468
Iowa	1	...	...	29	...	...	25	2	...	...	.....	.....	241	500	44	87	.....	.....	3	1	4	132
California	1	8	1	10	...	...	.....	1	...	...	350	22	372	383	196	153	.....	409	...	1	...	116

* Minnesota, Arkansas, 1 Missionary Bishop; Oregon, 1 do.

SUMMARY AND COMPARATIVE VIEWS OF CHIEF ITEMS.

1838

Clergy in 25 Dioceses		951
Baptisms,	Adults, in 12 Dioceses..... 2,522	
	Infants, in 12 Dioceses.....14,964	18,758
	Not specified, in 2 Dioceses. 1,272	
Communicants added in 4 Dioceses		7,280
Total of Communicants in 23 Dioceses		45,930
Marriages in 13 Dioceses		5,719
Burial in 13 Dioceses		10,588
Sunday School Teachers in 9 Dioceses		4,367
Sunday School Pupils in 13 Dioceses		39,443
Clergy Deceased in 8 Dioceses		27

1841

Clergy in 25 Dioceses		1,052
Baptisms,	Adults, in 14 Dioceses..... 4,729	
	Infants, in 14 Dioceses.....22,496	34,465
	Not specified, in 9 Dioceses. 7,240	
Communicants added in 9 Dioceses		3,678
Total of Communicants in 25 Dioceses		55,427
Marriages in 17 Dioceses		8,604
Burials in 14 Dioceses		14,961
Sunday School Teachers in 10 Dioceses		3,974
Sunday School Pupils in 11 Dioceses		32,265
Clergy Deceased in 11 Dioceses		28

1844

Clergy in 24 Dioceses...(Number in 3 Dioceses not reported)		1,096
Baptisms,	Adults, in 19 Dioceses..... 7,807	
	Infants, in 19 Dioceses.....30,254	39,119
	Not specified, in 3 Dioceses . 1,058	
Communicants added in 12 Dioceses		12,490
Total of Communicants in 26 Dioceses		72,099
Marriages in 17 Dioceses		8,036
Burials in 17 Dioceses		14,330
Sunday School Teachers in 13 Dioceses		5,037
Sunday School Pupils in 14 Dioceses		40,012
Clergy Deceased in 8 Dioceses		31

1847

Clergy in 28 Dioceses		1,404
Baptisms,	Adults, in 21 Dioceses..... 4,408	
	Infants, in 21 Dioceses.....23,551	33,774
	Not specified, in 7 Dioceses.. 5,815	

Communicants added in 11 Dioceses	5,125
Total of Communicants in 27 Dioceses	67,550
Marriages in 19 Dioceses	6,826
Burials in 19 Dioceses	12,814
Sunday School Teachers in 16 Dioceses	5,279
Sunday School Pupils in 18 Dioceses	39,437
Clergy Deceased in 15 Dioceses	34

1850

Clergy in 29 Dioceses	1,558
Baptisms, Adults, in 24 Dioceses 5,957; Infants, in 24 Dioceses 33,072; Not specified, in 4 Dioceses 3,896	42,925
Communicants added in 8 Dioceses	4,987
Total Communicants in 28 Dioceses	79,802
Marriages in 20 Dioceses	3,420
Burials in 20 Dioceses	16,233
Sunday School Teachers in 17 Dioceses	4,520
Sunday School Pupils in 19 Dioceses	38,603
Clergy Deceased in 16 Dioceses	43

1853

Clergy in 30 Dioceses	1,651
Baptisms, Infants, in 24 Dioceses 39,565; Adults, in 24 Dioceses 6,531; Not specified, in 4 Dioceses 2,061	48,157
Communicants added in 11 Dioceses	8,802
Total Communicants in 30 Dioceses	105,136
Marriages in 24 Dioceses,	12,974
Funerals in 24 Dioceses	23,558
Sunday School Teachers in 18 Dioceses	5,531
Sunday School Scholars in 22 Dioceses	62,376
Clergy deceased in 18 Dioceses	42
Number of Churches in 7 Dioceses	454
Number of Parishes and Congregations in 22 Dioceses	1,150
Parsonages added in 5 Dioceses	34
Number of Parsonages in 3 Dioceses	84

1856

Clergy in 31 Dioceses	1,828
Baptisms, Infants, in 26 Dioceses 56,132; Adults, in 26 Dioceses 9,542; Not specified, in 4 Dioceses 4,853	70,527
Communicants in 31 Dioceses	119,540
Marriages in 30 Dioceses	21,834
Funerals in 30 Dioceses	36,925
Sunday School Teachers in 20 Dioceses	9,235
Sunday School Scholars in 25 Dioceses	82,014
Clergy Deceased in 22 Dioceses	58
Number of Churches in 6 Dioceses	335
Number of Parishes in 29 Dioceses	1,825
Number of Parsonages in 7 Dioceses	109

TABULAR VIEW No. III.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND FUNDS.

Dioceses.	Missions.			Episcopal Fund.	Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund.	Widows and Orphans of Clergy Fund.	General Contributions not specified.	Special.	Total Contributions.
	Diocesan.	Domestic.	Foreign.						
Maine	$ 3,686 73	280 58	561 23	F *1,100 00			$ 5,769 08	Com. Alms, 1,101 14	$ 11,398 72
New Hampshire							5,039 61	Com. Alms, 1,891 00	6,930 61
Vermont	647 00	633 00	445 00				8,500 00		12,116 00
Massachusetts							114,268 87		114,268 87
Rhode Island							30,000 00		30,000 00
Connecticut				*25,000 00			104,224 71	Ed. Fund.	104,224 71
New York	18,376 00			11,298 86 *82,676 00 7,100 00 *50,000 00 *10,515 00	14,195 46 *25,500 00 5,444 35	*86,000 00	596,927 90	1,716 91 Dioc'n Fd, 6,966 75	649,411 92 42,621 00
Western N. Y.									
New Jersey						*26,000 00		Episcopate	394,125 28
Pennsylvania	12,326 17				4,350 00	*140,000 00	33,763 94	1,086 50	35,032 24
Delaware	772 47	1,080 68	987 33	*36,075 50	341 32				197,000 00
Maryland				*15,833 00					135,577 89
Virginia				*12,423 38					63,751 53
North Carolina	*1,634 50			*60,000 00	*20,000 00	*106,000 00	40,674 00		68,228 00
South Carolina	7,021 00	20,528 00	for Do. & For.				24,400 74		36,880 43
Georgia	5,719 21	2,394 21	3,456 27			1,000 00	11,088 98	Alms, &c.,	11,088 98
Florida							9,378 33	7,932 65	34,512 99
Alabama	901 58	1,094 05	1,315 75	12,690 75 *25,690 75	1,200 00 *2,667 80		35,123 00		35,193 00
Mississippi							45,000 00		45,000 00
Louisiana							12,721 00		12,721 00
Texas							21,782 00		21,782 00
Tennessee							38,367 40		52,519 23
Kentucky	11,210 98	2,940 95	for Do & For.				104,734 00		132,560 00
Ohio	28,126 00	(for Missions	in general.)	*606 81	*7,000 00	*9,000 00	18,104 35	Com. Alms,	18,104 35
Indiana								3,318 36	7,470 23
Illinois	2,397 54	908 50	755 77				8,539 29	4,484 68	18,078 69
Michigan	5,354 68	(for Missions	in general.)				62,811 51		63,612 41
Missouri		493 55	887 35				30,087 20		34,280 23
Wisconsin	4,203 03	(for Missions	to general.)				21,788 98		21,788 98
Iowa									
California									
								Com. for 3 y'rs	2,402,853 25

* Capital of Fund.

Appendix C.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS,

REPORTED TO THE CONVENTION, AND LAID ON THE TABLE.

Maine.....Journal of 1856, and Bishop Burgess's 3d Charge.
New Hampshire....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Vermont.....Journal of 1856.
Massachusetts.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Rhode Island.....Journals of Stated and Special Conventions, 1854. Journals of 1855, 1856, and Bishop Clark's Primary Charge.
Connecticut.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, and Bishop Williams' Sermon before 72d Convention.
New York.....Journals of 1853, 1854, 1855, and Bishop Potter's Pastoral.
Western New York..Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, Constitution and Canons, and Bishop De Lancey's 3d Charge.
New Jersey.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Pennsylvania.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, Constitution and Canons, and Bishop Potter's 2d Charge.
Delaware.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, and Bishop Lee's 3d Charge.
Maryland.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, Canons, and Bishop Whittingham's 4th Charge.
Virginia.....Journal of 1856.
North Carolina.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
South Carolina.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, and Bishop Davis's Primary Charge.
Georgia.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Florida.....Journal of 1856.
Alabama.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Mississippi.....Journals of 1854, 1855.
Texas.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Tennessee.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Kentucky.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, and Bishop Smith's 5th Charge.
Ohio.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, and Dr. Claxton's Sermon before Convention of 1854.
Indiana.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856, and Bishop Upfold's Primary Charge.
Illinois.....Journal of 1856.
Missouri.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Michigan.....Journals of 1854, 1855, 1856.
Wisconsin.....Journal of 1856.
Iowa.....Journal of 1856.
California.....Journals of 1854, 1856.
Oregon.....Proceedings of 3d Convocation, 1856.
Proceedings of Board of Trustees of General Theological Seminary from 1821 to 1854, 2 vols.
Proceedings of South Carolina Society for the Advancement of Christianity, at 44th and 45th Anniversaries. Sermon and Report at 6th Anniversary of the Church Home, Charleston.
Catalogue of Kenyon College, Ohio.

Appendix B.

DR. *The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church*

1853.			
Oct. 20,	To Cash paid Billing & B., bill for printing, No. 1,	82	
Nov. 9,	" Ditto " Pudney & Russell, ditto, " 2,	144	10
Dec. 20,	" Ditto " Rev. Doctor Howe, Secretary, &c., for freight of documents, stationery, porterage, and postage, No. 3,.....	10	
1854.			
Jan. 11,	" Ditto paid Tho's Maslin, Sexton of St. John's Church, for the services of five door-keepers, in attendance on the General Convention of 1853, No. 4,.....	207	50
April 18,	" Ditto paid Order of Rev. Doctor Howe, Secretary in favor of King & Baird, on account of their bill, for printing the Journal of the Convention, of 1853, &c. No. 5, $800,.....		
May 26,	" Ditto, ditto, ditto, ditto, No. 6, 200,.....	1,000	
Aug. 7,	" Ditto paid bill for freight and other expenses on a case of books (Journal of 1853) sent to England, by order of the House of Bishops, No. 7,.....	7	65
1856.			
Sept. 9,	" Ditto paid King & Baird, balance of their bill of $1,700 13 for printing the Journal, &c., of the General Convention of 1853, No. 8,	700	13
1856.		$2,151	38
Sept. 9,	To Balance per contra, due to the Treasurer this day,.....	$761	68

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

in the United States, in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. CR.

1853.			
Sept. 27,	By Balance in Treasurer's hands, per last account,	125	70
Oct. 31,	" Cash received from Diocese of Maine, quota for 1853,	13	
	Ditto,....ditto,....New Hampshire,...ditto,	10	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Vermont,.....ditto,	23	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Massachusetts,.....ditto,	85	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Rhode Island,.....ditto,	28	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Connecticut,.....ditto,	113	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Western New York, ditto,	125	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Delaware,.....ditto,	16	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Maryland,.....ditto,	127	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Virginia,.....ditto,	105	
	Ditto,....ditto,....North Carolina,....ditto,	36	
	Ditto,....ditto,....South Carolina,....ditto,	68	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Georgia,.....ditto,	27	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Florida,.....ditto,	7	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Alabama,.....ditto,	26	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Mississippi,.....ditto,	21	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Louisiana,.....ditto,	25	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Tennessee,.....ditto,	20	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Indiana,.....ditto,	22	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Illinois,.....ditto,	30	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Michigan,.....ditto,	35	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Missouri,.....ditto,	15	
	Ditto,....ditto,....Wisconsin,.....ditto,	28	
Dec. 20, 1854.	Ditto,....ditto,....Kentucky,.....ditto,	26	
Feb. 1,	Ditto,....ditto,....Pennsylvania,.....ditto,	153	
June 16, 1855.	Ditto,....ditto,....Iowa,.....ditto,	8	
June 9,	Ditto,....ditto,....Ohio,.....ditto,	72	
	Balance,.....	$761	68
		$2,151	38

NOTE.—The quota of the Diocese of Texas, for the year 1853, say ten dollars, was paid to the Treasurer on the 26th of August, 1853, and included in his general account for that year. Also,

The quota of the Diocese of New York, for 1853, say $289, was paid in like manner, September 27th, 1853, and included as above. See Journal of 1853, page 291.

The quota of the Diocese of New Jersey, for 1853, $67 00 has not yet been received by the Treasurer. HERMAN COPE, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, September 10th, 1856.

The subscribers, a Committee appointed to examine the within account, report that they have carefully fulfilled their duty, and examined the several vouchers, and find the same correct in every respect.

October 14, 1856.

JOHN N. CONYNGHAM,
DANIEL B. RYALL,
EDWARD A. NEWTON.

Appendix C.—1.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions respectfully offers to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, its Seventh Triennial Report:

The Board has held, since the last Triennial Report, two Annual Meetings, viz.: one in Hartford, in October, 1854; and one in New York, in October, 1855; and that their annual meeting is now being held, having commenced its Session the evening before the meeting of the General Convention.

Full Reports of the proceedings of the two meetings, together with the Reports of the Domestic and Foreign Committees, have been published, and the MS. copies of the Annual Reports of the Committees are herewith submitted. Copies are also submitted of the following documents, viz.:

The Sixth Triennial Report of the Board, including documents then submitted, October, 1853.

Nineteenth Annual Report of the Board, October, 1854.

Twentieth Annual Report of the Board, October, 1855.

Twenty-first Annual Reports of the two Committees, October, 1856.

These Documents will put the Convention in possession of full and particular information upon the subject of Missionary operations, conducted under its sanction and authority, and render unnecessary in this Report, any detailed account of the same.

The following summary is submitted:

Domestic Committee's Summary.

I FUNDS.

1. *Receipts.*

October 1st, 1853, to October 1st, 1854, 12 months,	$38,404 15
October 1st, 1854, to October 1st, 1855, 12 months,	42,107 60
October 1st, 1855, to October 1st, 1856, 12 months,	47,245 17
	$127,756 92

2. *Payments.*

In the previous three years,	85,837 45
October 1st, 1853, to October 1st, 1854,	$40,037 85
October 1st, 1854, to October 1st, 1855,	42,892 73
October 1st, 1855, to October 1st, 1856,	51,917 15
	$134,847 73
In the previous three years,	85,719 40

II.—MISSIONS.

1. *Domestic.*	*Stations.*	*Missionaries.*
October 1st, 1854,	108	90
October 1st, 1855,	122	102
October 1st, 1856,	144	126

Foreign Committee's Summary.

I.—FUNDS.

1. *Receipts.*

June 15, 1853, to June 15, 1854, 12 months,	$59,582 23
June 15, 1854, to October 1st, 1855, (when the Financial year was made to commence October 1st,) 15½ months,	71,480 27
October 1st, 1855 to October 1st, 1856, 12 months,	69,701 58
Three years, 3½ months,	$200,764 08
Receipts in previous three years,	126,501 06

2. *Payments.*

June 15th, 1853, to June 15th, 1854, 12 months,	$57,292 10
June 15th, 1854, to October 1st, 1855, 15½ months,	76,226 71
October 1st, 1855, to October 1st, 1856, 12 months,	69,761 21
Three years, 3½ months,	$203,280 02
Payments in previous three years,	127,781 08

II.—MISSIONS.

Principal Stations.	*Missionaries.*	*Assistants.*	*Medical Men.*	*Native Teachers.*	*Pupils.*
Africa, China, Greece,	20	20	0	12	1413

T. C. BROWNELL, *Presiding Bishop.*

P. VAN PELT, *Secretary of the Board.*

Appendix E.—2.

REPORT OF BISHOP KEMPER.

To the General Convention.

DEAR BRETHREN:

The Report, which I am now enabled, through Divine goodness, to present to the Church, of the efforts which have been made during the past three years, for the extension of the Kingdom of the Messiah within the mission allotted to me, will, I trust, be encouraging to every member of the household of faith. There is, indeed, much land to be possessed; and, if we now labor with a single eye to the glory of God, we may confidently look forward to an early period, when, by the outpouring of His Spirit, the field, now ripe for harvest, which we have cultivated with fervent hope, will bring forth fruit an hundred fold.

The prospects in relation to MINNESOTA, are truly encouraging. Among its early settlers, and especially among the tens of thousands who have gone thither this year, are many Episcopalians, who are earnestly requesting the privileges of the Church at their new homes, and who will soon be enabled to establish self-supporting parishes, if we now act generously and with promptness. I have been there four times, and contemplate another extensive visitation before the close of this year. The climate is bracing and healthy, and the soil far exceeds in productive-

ness the most sanguine expectations of its pioneers. I have confirmed seventy-six persons, of whom twenty-two received that holy rite at the mission among the Chippewas. There are two candidates for the ministry. Five Clergymen have been received into the Territory, viz: The Rev. John V. Van Ingen, D. D., the Rev. E. Steele Peake, the Rev. Joshua Sweet, the Rev. J. W. McIlwaine, and the Rev. D. B. Knickerbacker, while the Rev. B. S. Judd, has been added by ordination, and the Rev. Ezra Jones, although still belonging to Connecticut, is officiating at St. Peter. These reverend brethren, with those devoted men who were already on the ground when you last assembled in council—with the exception of the Rev. John A. Merrick, who was transferred by me to Pennsylvania—are laboring faithfully and effectually, and are now twelve in number. I will add to this Report the parochial statements of some of them. Two Churches have been consecrated, that of Holy Trinity Church, at St. Anthony, and that of Trinity Church, at St. Albans. These added to those already reported, make five buildings which have been dedicated to the worship of Almighty God. It is gratifying to add, that eight others are in contemplation, or are partly built.

In NEBRASKA, a Congregation has been organized at Omaha City, which contained, when I was there, in July last, fifteen hundred inhabitants. This Territory ought now to have two devoted Missionaries. There is within its limits a Chaplain at Fort Laramie, and another at Fort Kearney.

In KANSAS I confirmed three persons, namely, one at Fort Leavenworth, and two at Council City, and baptized an infant at Lecompton. An excellent Missionary has willingly offered himself for this Territory, and will go there as soon as the country is in a settled state. Leavenworth City, Atchison, and other places demand early attention. There is a Chaplain at Fort Riley.

I have the promise of sites for Churches and Parsonages at several of the new laid out villages in Nebraska and Kansas.

I continued in charge of IOWA, until the consecration of its present Diocesan. During my last visit, forty persons were confirmed, viz: one at Pleasant Grove, six at Cedar Rapids, four at Dubuque, eleven at Muscatine, nine at Keokuk, and nine at Davenport. Trinity Church at Muscatine was consecrated. The Rev. George Denison was received from Ohio, and settled at Keokuk; and the Rev. Franklin R. Haff was transferred from Indiana, to be the Missionary at Burlington.

On the 14th June, 1854, I was elected Diocesan of WISCONSIN, under Sec. 4, of Canon X. of the last General Convention, according to which my Missionary field continued. It was with great reluctance that I accepted this appointment as Diocesan, for I had hoped to die a Missionary Bishop; but the solicitations of those brethren with whom I had laboured for years prevailed over my own wishes. Perhaps a summary of what has been done in Wisconsin for the past three years should be made. It is as follows: five hundred and twenty-three persons have been confirmed, of whom forty-three were Oneidas; eight Churches have been consecrated; eight Clergymen have been transferred to other Dioceses; twenty-three Clergymen have been added, of whom eight were by ordination, and one was received from the Church of Rome. I have admitted eight candidates to Deacons' Orders, besides one at the request of the Bishop of Mississippi, and have advanced twelve Deacons to the Priesthood. There are now on my list the names of fourteen candidates

for holy orders, of whom two belong to Minnesota, (one of them being a Chippewa,) and one desires to devote himself to Kansas.

Respectfully submitted,

Philadelphia, 13th Oct. 1856. JACKSON KEMPER.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The Rev. J. S. Chamberlaine, of St. Anthony Falls, Minnesota, reports work done in his Mission for three years past, as follows:

Baptisms, forty-seven; confirmations, twenty-two; new communicants added, twenty-four; communicants added by removal, forty-six; marriages, eight; burials, eleven; Parishes organized, five; stations occupied but not organized, five; Churches consecrated, two; corner-stones for Churches laid, four. Churches built, or building, six.

Rev. J. A. Russell, of Stillwater, Minnesota, reports, that when he arrived, sixteen months since, he found eight communicants, and a congregation averaging from eleven to fifteen persons. He has now nine communicants, and the congregation numbers from thirty to forty persons. In the Sunday School there are now twenty-one scholars and seven teachers. He has married three couples, baptized six children, and buried six persons. The Holy Communion has been administered eight times. There are fourteen families connected with the congregation. For one year Mr. Russell officiated in Hudson, Wisconsin, every Sunday afternoon, during summer, and twice a month during winter.

The Rev. T. Wilcoxson, of Hastings, Minnesota, reports, that his first year's work is in the Register of the Church at St. Paul. During the next, there were twenty-two baptisms, and six persons were added to the Communion. Concerning the past year, he says, six persons have been confirmed, and two have been added to the Communion; nineteen infants and three adults have been baptized; two Parishes have been organized, and one corner-stone laid. The frame of the Church at Hastings is up, and he hopes it will be occupied in November. The number of communicants within his Mission is forty-three. Total offerings for past year, $79.67. Contributed at Hasting's towards the building of the Church, $800.

The Rev. E. G. Gear, Chaplain at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, reports, infant baptisms at the Fort and the immediate vicinity, seventeen; marriages at Fort Snelling and St. Columba, seven; funerals, six; confirmations, including one from the Fort, confirmed at Christ Church, St. Paul, two; present number of communicants, eight. The Chaplain, adds: "In addition to the regular services in the Garrison, I have performed Divine service and preached many times in other places, and done all in my power to advance the general interests of the Church in the Territory."

The Rev. Joshua Sweet, reports from Fort Ridgely, Minnesota, of which he is Chaplain, "I reached this Fort the 31st of May last. Since that time I have celebrated Divine Service every Sunday, except four. Two of these I was sick, and two there was no room prepared for it. I have also celebrated the Holy Communion several times, intending to do so every first Sunday in a month; but, as we have had no certain place for service, but made use of one room, then another, and another, that happened to be vacant at the time, I have not had Communion as often as once a month." When he wrote there were three communicants.

The Rev. E. Steele Peake, has sent me the following Report:

Missionary labours in the Minnesota Valley during the year of our Adorable Lord, 1856, together with the latter part of 1855.

During the months of November and December, services were celebrated regularly, morning and afternoon, each Lord's day at St. Peter's Church, Shakopee. An interesting Sunday School was collected, and a Bible Class composed of young people, and some heads of families was formed and instructed by the Missionary each Sunday afternoon before the evening service. Services were held in the Church on the 30th of November, being the Festival of St. Andrew, and the Holy Communion was administered for the first time on the 1st Sunday in Advent, seven Communicants of the Church being present. At Christmas time, the Church at Shakopee, was beautifully decorated with evergreens of sweet smelling cedar. Divine Service was celebrated on Christmas-day, and on all the other Festivals throughout the year, when the Missionary was at this station. On St. Stephen's day, the ladies of the Congregation gave a supper, the proceeds of which, amounting to $70, were solemnly offered to God, and were used in furnishing the Church with proper seats, a neat white walnut chancel rail, and a chancel carpet.

Besides the improvements just mentioned, the Church has been recently painted, an altar of walnut wood has been placed in the chancel, steps have been built at the entrance, and the windows furnished with linen curtains.

I visited St. Peter, for the first time, on the 15th day of January, A. D., 1856, and found here a great desire on the part of several of the people for the ministrations of the Church.

Five Communicants from various quarters of the world were living here who had been deprived of the privilege of attending our Sacred Services for more than half a year.

On Sunday, January 20, we held service in the school-house which was well filled. The Holy Communion was celebrated, only two communicants being present. The rest were detained by sickness in their families.

During the remainder of the year, this place was visited at regular intervals of five or six weeks.

Traverse des Sioux, which is a mile east of Saint Peter, and is in reality a part of the same town, has been the place for holding the evening service, on the occasions above referred to. These two places together, contain already nearly one thousand people, and are rapidly increasing in population.

Maunkato which lies at the mouth of the Blue Earth River, near the Great Bend in the Minnesota, twelve miles above Saint Peter, has also been regularly visited, and we have had several week-day evening services in the school-house there. It still needs, and will in time, well repay the care and attention of the Missionary. Regular services have been held on week-day evenings at Le Sueur, Henderson, and Belle Plaine once in six weeks. Occasional services have been held at Fort Ridgely, the agency of the Winnebago Indians, the agency of the Sioux Indians, as well as Chaska South Bend, and Sand Prairie.

The Report of *the Rev. James Lloyd Breck*, is as follows:

Triennial Report of the Mission to the Chippewa Indians, in the Territory of Minnesota.

The St. Columba Mission, at Kahgeeash Coonsihag, was founded in the spring of 1852. for a people entirely Pagan. During the three years ending the 1st Sep., 1856, the following table denotes the several Ministerial acts that have been celebrated.

Adults baptized,.....	30
Children do.....	49
Total,.....	79
Adult Romanists received by public Profession of the Faith,.....	3
Confirmations,.....	21
Communicants,.....	8
Marriages,.....	6
Deaths,.....	3
Present number of Ojibwa Christians,.....	98

Offerings for the support of a Divinity Student at Nashotah $131.28.

The discipline of the Mission is two-fold :—Religious and Secular.

1. *Religious.*

The Public Services are in the Ojibwa language, and here we would desire to acknowledge with the deepest gratitude, our indebtedness to the English Church for the New Testament and Book of Common Prayer, which she has published in the tongue of this widely spread race of the North West.

Since the foundation of this Mission, to the present time, we have had a daily Public Service for the people, which has been remarkably well attended by Pagan as well as Christian Indians, whereby the hindrances to personal piety, arising from the Wigwam life, have been greatly overcome, for these people have no privacy in their wild state, except they resort to the woods or the Sanctuary. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated monthly for the natives, but on each Lord's Day for the Missionaries and Teachers.

PRIVATE CLASSES FOR CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION.

1st Class consists of communicants and all who have been confirmed. These are twenty-one in number, and are taught twice in each week.

2d Class consists of the baptized who are candidates for confirmation. These are twenty-two in number, and are taught three times in each week.

3d Class consists of candidates for baptism, who are also met for instruction in religion three times per week.

4th Class consists of the school children, forty-two in number. Of this, twenty are living beneath the Mission roof. They are taught in the English tongue five days in each week, except at sugar-making and rice-gathering seasons, when they have vacation.

DISCIPLINE OF THE MISSION.

2. *Secular.*

All who become Christians, conform to the dress and manner of life of the whites, as far as their circumstances will admit. The men cut their hair and cast off the blanket, and begin to till the ground, and work for their living.

The women learn the arts of domestic life, and abandon their wandering habits. Thus they become civilized, at the same time that they profess our Holy Religion.

In the beginning of Trinity of the present year, at the earnest and repeated requests of the principal Chief of the next band of Chippewas at Ke-sah-gah, sixty miles north, we began a new Station; and, on the second Sunday after Trinity, the corner-stone of the first Christian habitation was laid there with suitable devotions. This band numbers one thousand Indians. The General Government made a Treaty with these Indians in 1855, and has appointed this Mission to the charge of their school. We are now only waiting the Bishop's visitation in November next, to lay the corner-stone for the Second Indian Church.

The following are the Assistants at St. Columba, viz:

J. Johnson Aumegahbowh, (Ojibwa Indian,) Interpreter. Samuel Hall, candidate for Holy Orders, Teacher. Charles Selkrig, Student for the Ministry, Curator. Miss Lydia B. Frink, Teacher. Paul Cornplanter, (Seneca,) Farmer.

These are all communicants.

The Rev. E. Steele Peake, is coming to the charge of this Station in October of the present year The General Government is about giving to the Church a deed for one hundred and sixty acres of land, lying round about the St. Columba Mission building.

The Assistants at Kesahgah, are as follows, viz:

George Bungo, (Ojibwa,) Interpreter. Mrs. Breck, Matron. Miss West, Teacher. Miss Heron, Teacher. Mrs. Rees and Daughter, Assistants. John Parker, Carpenter. C. W. Rees, Farmer.

Besides the above statistics, two white children have been baptized in the Indian Church; two white couple have been married, and there are twelve white communicants within the two Missions.

I would in conclusion state, that during the past three years, a number of earnest appeals have been made to us from Indians abroad, to come and establish Missions amongst their people, which fully bespeaks the duty of the Church with regard to them.

The foregoing Report, Dear Bishop, I respectfully and gratefully submit, and remain your dutiful son in the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

J. LLOYD BRECK,
Missionary to the Chippewa Indians.

The Rev. John Virger Van Ingen, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, has made a long and interesting Report. The Church has been twice enlarged, and a school-room attached to it during his ministry. In labors, hospitality, and self-denial, he has abounded. His time has been devoted necessarily to St. Paul, a growing town, and nearly ten thousand people; yet, in various ways, by occasional journeys, by securing lots in new villages, &c., he has greatly promoted the interests of the Church in Minnesota. His statistics are as follows:

Families,			102
Communicants,			104
Baptisms, infants,	34		
" adults,	13	Total,	47
Confirmations,			25
Marriages,			10
Burials,			41

Public Services, on all Sundays, twice; and during such advent, and preparation for confirmation, services daily, and often twice a day with brief lecture.

Proceeds of Weekly Offertory.

1. For Parish Expenses, to Aug. 3, 1856, near two years,...	$581 30
2. For Alms and Missionary purposes,.....	483 86
3. These, exclusive of offerings in money for an Orphans' Home, amounting, besides land, to more than.....	$1000 00
And also exclusive of generous benefactions towards defraying expenses of the Rector's removal and his support,....	500 00

The Rev. David Clarkson, Chaplain at Fort Riley, in Kansas, reports his official acts from 8th May, 1855, to 4th July, 1856, as follows:

Baptisms, infants, four. Marriages, four. Burials, sixty-seven; of which fifty-seven took place in the short space of fifteen days, during the prevalence of the cholera at this Garrison, from the 24th July to the 12th August.

The Rev. B. S. Judd, reports, that since his ordination, he has officiated generally twice every Sunday, and always within the extensive Mission of the Rev. Mr. Chamberlaine. He has besides, solemnized one marriage.

Appendix E.—3.

REPORT OF BISHOP FREEMAN.

To the House of Bishops and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention assembled:

BRETHREN:

This is the the third time that it has become my duty, under the Canon "of Missionary Bishops within the United States," to report to the General Convention my "proceedings and the state and condition of the Church," within my jurisdiction. I enter upon the duty at this time with no cause, either for special congratulation with your body on the prosperity of the Church over which I have been appointed an overseer, nor for self-glorying on account of the magnitude or success of my personal labors. The three years that have elapsed since my last report, have not been remarkable either for progress or retreat. While no ground has, I trust, been irretrievably lost, the advance of the Church's cause has, by no means, been commensurate with the flight of time or with the increase of population. This may be owing, in part, to the want of efficiency on the part of the chief minister—his pretensions on that score have never been high—but also, and mainly, perhaps, to a deficiency in the supply of energetic, self-denying, efficient co-laborers. In many, many parts of his field, he has still been left in his advanced age, to work single-handed. The harvest might have been truly plenteous, had not the laborers been too few.

I have made an *annual* visitation to such parts of my extensive missionary field, as the circumstances of my domestic relations, and the state of my own health have enabled me to reach. For the details of those visitations, I suppose, it will be sufficient and satisfactory to refer you to my *annual* reports to the Board of Missions. It could not have

been intended by the Canon, I think I may assume, that the Missionary Bishops should exhaust themselves and burden the General Convention by a *reiteration*, in their Triennial Reports, of the extended narratives of their "proceedings" through each of the preceding *three* years, which had been, previously, submitted to the Board.

In explanation of the fact—observed, perhaps, by such as have been in the habit of reading my *annual* reports—that the amount of official labor bears but a small proportion to the time consumed and the extent of territory traversed, I beg to state, that such is the distance from parish to parish and station to station, through a large part of my field, that nearly as much time, perhaps even more time, is consumed in travelling from point to point, than is spent in the parishes and Missionary stations themselves; although care is taken to spend several days, and often a week, at each. In Arkansas, for instance, the nearest parish or Missionary station to Little Rock—which is nearly the geographical centre of the State—is *one hundred* miles. That is the distance to Batesville (by land), in the north. To Helena, the nearest in the east, the distance is *greater*. To Camden, the nearest in the south, it is *one hundred and twenty* miles. To Van Buren and Fort Smith, the nearest in the west, the distance is *one hundred and seventy miles*, and that over, perhaps, the roughest road (travelled by carriages) in the United States. And Fayetteville, the nearest Church station to those parishes, lies *sixty miles* north of them, with a range of rugged mountains between. Similar, to a very great extent, is the case in Texas. It is true that, in most instances, there are intermediate points which *ought* to be occupied, and might be occupied by the Church to great advantage. But the men, the missionaries are wanting; and vain would be the occasional visits of the Bishop, made without the hope or possibility of following them up by the efforts of a stated minister.

The "state and condition" of the Church, within the limits of my charge, do not vary materially from the exhibition in my last report to your body, except that the field of our operations is more extended, and the cry for the privileges and blessings of her ministrations has waxed louder and become more general. Many are the earnest appeals, with which I am met, to send to the famishing the bread of life. There is scarcely any limit to the *demand* for ministers and missionaries of the Church. But to these appeals and this demand, from the necessity of our circumstances, I can, in most instances, make *no response*. We have no such command of men and means as the exigency requires.

In Texas there has been an increase in the number of the clergy. They now number *fourteen*, canonically resident. The organized parishes are twenty-two, *five* of which are self-supporting. One of the most important of these last, Christ Church, Houston, is now vacant, but, as I have been requested and empowered by the vestry to procure a supply, I trust it may not continue so long. San Antonio, a highly important, and, I think, encouraging field, is unoccupied. A new parish has been organized in Austin, under the name of Christ Church, of which the Rev. Charles Gillette has accepted the Rectorship. New parishes have been organized at Columbus and Lagrange, in which the Rev. Hannibal Pratt officiates. I have recommended to the Executive Committee for Domestic Missions to recognize these two places as a Missionary station, and to appoint Mr. Pratt the missionary. I have also recommended the adoption as Missionary stations, and their supply with missionaries,

of 1st. Marshall and Jefferson; 2d. Victoria, Goliad and Mission Valley; and 3d. Indianola and Port Lavaca: all these are fields of much promise, and ought to be speedily occupied. There are many points besides, at which Missionaries might be most beneficially employed. At this time, there are only six or seven clergymen in the Diocese, acting as Missionaries under the auspices of the Committee.

I had cherished the hope that I might be relieved from the burden of any future supervision of the Church in Texas, by the election, on the part of the Convention, of a permanent Diocesan Bishop—to the accomplishment of which my efforts have, for years, been directed—and when that object was, as I thought, attained last spring, I felt as one from whose shoulders a heavy and almost insupportable weight had been removed; and I rejoiced in the prospect of a rapid increase of strength and prosperity to the Church, consequent, of a certainty, with the blessing of God, upon her enjoying the advantages of a *resident* Bishop in the vigor of life, and possessing ability and zeal, and devotion to his Master's cause. That hope and that ground of rejoicing have, however, in the Providence of God, been taken away from me, and I am left to bear the burden for a time, as before. For a *little* time, it *must* be, in the natural course of events; for only a twelve month, it *may* be, should God put it into the hearts of his servants to unite their minds and efforts in another election. What may be the effect of the present *disaster*—for such I must consider the refusal of the Episcopate at the united call of a Diocese—upon the prosperity of the infant Church in Texas, I will not attempt to conjecture. It *may*, indeed, by the wise Providence of God, be overruled for good. But, I have no doubt, the *natural* tendency of such a result is to evil—to do harm to the cause of God and his Church among men.

The enterprise of the Diocesan School, established at Anderson, has, I fear, come near to the point of failure—in consequence of some serious mistakes in the management of its affairs, (particularly since the resignation of the Rectorship by the Rev. C. Gillette,) which might, and probably would have been prevented, had there been a Bishop *resident* in the Diocese. If I am rightly informed—I have no *official* information—the original donors of the property on which the school was commenced, have resumed possession of it, on the plea that the purpose for which it was given has failed, by the (temporary) discontinuance of the course of instruction. Whether—if for the recovery of possession legal steps shall be necessary, the Trustees or the Convention will decide on having recourse to the Courts of law, I have no means of knowing. But the expediency, if not the christian morality, of the Church's engaging in a contest of that kind, under the circumstances of the case, I should be inclined to doubt. "Why do ye not rather suffer wrong?" is a question that might pertinently be asked, in most instances of like character, of the Church as a body, as well as of individual christians.

But the enterprise of establishing St. Paul's College has not, after all, failed, whatever may become of the property at Anderson. If it shall lose its foot-hold at that place, it will, with the Divine blessing, be established elsewhere, and under better auspices. A more eligible site will be found, with the promise and assurance of a far more liberal and munificent donation. Aids for an endowment will be obtained from the liberal and beneficent, both at home and abroad, and the Institution will arise, if so it must be, like another Phœnix, from its ashes.

In Arkansas proper, there are still but *two* Missionaries, and one other clergyman, the Rector of a self-supporting parish. In the Indian Territory, adjacent, there are two more clergymen of the Church, chaplains in the U. S. Army. The work in this State drags heavily for the want of laborers. And yet, there are many encouraging tokens. The knowledge and the wholesome influence of the Church are becoming, yearly, more extended, and wherever her noble form of worship and her evangelical character are made known, she is at once appreciated and greeted with welcome. The only Missionary stations at present occupied, are at Helena, and Camden with El Dorado. The interesting station at Fayetteville has been vacated by the transfer of the Missionary to Helena, who, having a large and growing family, did not find, at the former place, an adequate support. Van Buren and Fort Smith, though presenting a most encouraging field for the labors of a clergyman, are, and have been for several years, destitute, and the congregations enjoy no other church ministrations than those furnished at the annual visitation of the Bishop. Yet, they not only hold their own, but have annual accessions to their number. Several other points have been brought to the attention of the Committee as important Missionary stations, among them, Batesville and Jacksonport united, and Columbia and Old River Lake in Chicot county. And earnest appeals are made from time to time for a supply of clergymen to these and other neglected fields. But poor Arkansas! regarded as a semi-barbarous country, and as the Ultima Thule of the Church, appeals in her behalf are vain.

An attempt has been made to secure the establishment of a school, which shall be under the control and conducted in accordance with the principles and usages of the Church. In pursuance of this, a valuable piece of property, having all the necessary buildings upon it, has been secured, and a considerable part of the purchase money paid. Two thousand dollars, however, are yet needed to complete the purchase, and obtain an unincumbered title to the property. Having once obtained it —made inalienably to Trustees for the Church, with the Bishop at its head—it is believed that a Diocesan Institution may always be maintained, in which the children of the Church can be trained up in the way they should go, *i. e.*, religiously, according to the views of the Church, while obtaining a secular education, adapted to the ordinary pursuits of life; and such of them as may be found piously disposed, and "apt and meet," may be trained for the sacred ministry. The perpetuity or indefinite continuance of such a school, it is believed, may be secured, because the use of the property itself, which could be given rent free, would constitute a material aid to the support of the family of the incumbent, who would thereby be in a measure secured against loss from the usual fluctuations in the patronage of such institutions.

I had hoped to obtain the sum requisite to complete the purchase, by means of applications, addressed by letter, to individuals of known ability and supposed liberality. In this, I am sorry to say, I have been disappointed; although to a number of the persons appealed to, I could, and did apply the words of St. Paul to Philemon, "albeit, I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides."

The summary of my Episcopal and Ministerial acts, during the last three years, is as follows:

Preached 218 sermons.

Baptised 33 adults and 63 children.

Confirmed 189 persons.
Administered the Communion 36 times.
All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. FREEMAN, *Miss'y Bishop, &c.*

Appendix E.—4.

BISHOP KIP'S TRIENNIAL REPORT—1856.

To the House of Bishops and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention assembled.

DEAR BRETHREN:

In accordance with the requisitions of Canon X., of 1853, I proceed to make my Report on the State of this Diocese.

Immediately after my consecration, which took place in Trinity Church, New York, on the 28th day of October, 1853, I made my arrangements for proceeding to California. I sailed December 20th, and landed in San Francisco, January 29th, 1854.

At that time, I found the only settled parochial minister in the State was the Rev. C. B. Wyatt, Rector of Trinity Church, San Francisco. There were several other clergymen in the Diocese not connected with parishes. Two of these, the Rev. John Reynolds, Chaplain in U. S. Army, stationed at San Diego, and the Rev. John Morgan, have since returned to the East.

The Rev. E. W. Syle, who came out in January, 1855, as Missionary to the Chinese in San Francisco, left the Diocese on the abandonment of that mission, in January, 1856, and returned to his original field of labor in China.

The present list of clergy is as follows:

Rev. James W. Capen, Missionary at Oakland.
Rev. Orange Clark, D.D., late Chaplain of the U. S. Marine Hospital, San Francisco.
Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, Missionary at Nevada and Grass Valley.
Rev. Elijah W. Hager, Rector of St. John's Church, Stockton
Rev. William H. Hill, Rector of Grace Church, Sacramento.
Rev. Joseph S. Large, residing at Oakland.
Rev. David F. Macdonald, Deacon, Missionary at Coloma.
Rev. Horace L. Edgar Pratt, Rector of the Church of the Sacraments, Sacramento.
Rev. J. Avery Shepherd, Rector of the Female Institute, San Francisco.
Rev. John L. Ver Mehr, LL.D., Rector of St. Mary's Hall, Sonoma.
Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt, Rector of Trinity Church, San Francisco.

Besides these, are two clergymen who are not canonically connected with this Diocese:—

Rev. Frederick J. Hatch, D.D., (of Missouri,) residing at Sacramento, and officiating in that vicinity in destitute places.

Rev. S. Chipman Thrall, (of New York,) supplying the place of the Rev. C. B. Wyatt, in Trinity Church, San Francisco.

During the past three years, I have visited every part of this missionary field, where Episcopal services were required, or there was a prospect of

founding the Church. My labors in the Diocese at large have, however, been much circumscribed by the necessity of taking the Rectorship of Grace Church, San Francisco, which has, of course, confined me very much to this city. I have felt, too, in many cases, that nothing was gained by visiting a place, when I had no prospect of having any clergyman to send. The hopes of the people were excited by my visit, and when months passed and no missionary came to them, there was a proportioned reaction in their minds, and they began to despair of having the Church. There are twenty places in this Diocese where the Church might now be well and speedily established, had we the proper men to send to them. As it is, however, during the past three years, the Church has been commenced at many of the most important points, such as Sacramento, Stockton, Marysville, Nevada, and Coloma—places which exert an influence through the surrounding country.

There are now in this Diocese eleven organized parishes connected with the Convention.

Two lay-readers, both officers of the United States Army, have been licensed to officiate at Fort Tejon and Fort Miller. For more than a year, (until a clergyman was procured,) services were held in this way at Benicia, and also, during the past summer, at Grass Valley.

Three Church edifices have been erected, at Sacramento, Marysville, and Coloma, and several others are in contemplation. One Church edifice has been consecrated, that of Grace Church, San Francisco.

One ordination has been held; the Rev. David F. Macdonald, having been admitted to deacon's orders, in December last. Two individuals are now applying to be received as Candidates for Orders, but their papers have not yet been laid before the Standing Committee.

At the first Convention, held May, 1854, I reported 18 candidates confirmed. At the Convention of May, 1855, I reported 44; and at that of May, 1856, I reported 54. Since then I have confirmed 7; making a total of 123.

Such are the statistics of this missionary field. In my Annual Report to the Board of Missions, and in my frequent communications to the Spirit of Missions, I have endeavored to keep the members of our Church informed of what we were attempting to do on this portion of the Pacific coast. The depression of business in this State, following the unnatural excitement of the last few years, began at the very time of my arrival. I found California, therefore, a very different place from what it had been represented. Yet, looking at the past, we can "thank God and take courage" for the future. We enter on a new course of duty with greater advantages. The number of our clergy has increased, and we trust that the depressing causes which have acted on California are beginning to pass away, and that the Church will share in these reviving influences. Each year, too, a greater number of families are making this country their permanent home, and will, therefore, be more disposed to labor for its future welfare. The little band of laborers, therefore, on this distant coast may go on, trusting that "God, even our own God, will give us His blessing."

WM. INGRAHAM KIP,
Missionary Bishop of California.

San Francisco, Sept. 17, 1856.

Appendix E.—5.

BISHOP SCOTT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN:

THREE years ago, the General Convention was pleased to nominate and appoint me as Missionary Bishop to the Territories of Oregon and Washington. After mature reflection, that appointment would have been declined, but for the fact that three years must elapse before another could be appointed. This reluctance did not grow out of any unwillingness to undergo the privations and toils incident to such a life; for, while a considerable experience left no doubt as to what these would be, I can truly say, that, upon no part of my life can I look back with so much pleasure as upon that passed in preaching the Gospel to the destitute; but it was a solemn conviction that the Episcopal office is a work of fearful responsibility, and a conscious want of those higher qualifications of both understanding and heart, which make that office a blessing to the Church of God.

Nevertheless I determined to go at your bidding, endeavoring to cast all upon the care of Him, "without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy," and assured that if this thing were of God, He could employ even "the weak things of the world" to accomplish the purposes of His grace.

When I reached the field assigned me, I found that but little had been done towards the organized work of the Church. This was not the fault of those who had labored as Missionaries. So few in number, and so widely dispersed as their labors necessarily were, and with no houses of worship of their own, the result could scarcely have been otherwise. Added to all was the unsettled state of things which always pertains to a new country.

During the first Summer and Fall, I visited various portions of Oregon, especially in the Willamette Valley and on the Columbia River, and also on the Cowlitz River and Puget's Sound, in Washington. These visits gave me a general knowledge of the country, and of the spiritual condition and wants of its people. It is unnecessary for me to repeat here what has appeared already in the "Spirit of Missions."

During the first year, we were enabled to build and consecrate three churches, viz.:—Trinity Church, Portland; St. John's Church, Milwaukie, and St. Paul's Church, Salem; and I doubt not we could have added two to the list during the second year, had there been ministers to occupy them.

In October, 1854, the Rev. Dr. McCarty resigned his place as Chaplain at Fort Van Couver, and accepted a similar appointment at Fort Steilacoom, on Puget's Sound, Washington Territory. During his continuance at Van Couver, he had held services at Portland usually every Sunday morning. His removal left me the option of supplying Portland myself, or of closing the Church then recently consecrated. I decided upon the former, shortly afterwards commencing service at Millwaukie, and occasionally visiting other places where it was deemed advisable to keep up an interest in the Church, and to prepare the way for regular services when Missionaries could be obtained.

During this time, the Rev. Mr. Fackler continued his services at

Oregon City and Champoeg, embracing Salem also, after the consecration of our Church at that place. This necessarily required much time in travelling, as Salem and Oregon City are forty-five miles apart, Champoeg being midway between them. During the rainy season, especially, this travelling was very irksome.

In addition to his post duties, Dr. McCarty held afternoon services at the village of Steilacoom, and spent one Sunday of each month at Olympia, the seat of government. At this place the attendance was quite encouraging.

In December last, the Rev. Johnston McCormac arrived in Oregon; but at that time Dr. McCarty was on a visit to the States, so that we had still but two Missionaries up to the first of May last. On Trinity Sunday I ordained Mr. James L. Daly as a Deacon. The latter part of May, the Rev. James R. W. Sellwood reached us, and in June, the Rev. John Sellwood, having passed through sufferings and perils, with which you are already acquainted. So that we have now six clergymen on the ground—three Presbyters and three Deacons. They are all engaged in their labors, except the Rev. John Sellwood, who, at the last accounts, was not sufficiently recovered from his wounds to resume the active duties of the ministry.

They are distributed as follows:

Dr. McCarty, in addition to post duties at Van Couver, holds Sunday School and afternoon services in the village, and spends one Sunday in each month abroad. The Rev. Mr. Fackler spends two Sundays in each month at Champoeg and vicinity, one at Oregon City, and one at Salem.

Rev. John Sellwood is to officiate at Portland, so soon as he is able to resume his labors.

Rev. Mr. McCormac officiates two Sundays in the month at Oregon City, and two at Milwaukie and Oswego, visiting both the latter places on the same day.

Rev. J. R. W. Sellwood officiates two Sundays in the month at Salem, and the remaining Sundays under the Direction of the Rev. Mr. Fackler.

Rev. Mr. Daly officiates, for the present, at Portland; and is to be under the direction of the Rev. John Sellwood, so soon as that brother is able to occupy his post. Mr. Daly is not under appointment as a Missionary of the Board.

In addition to this immediate labor for our Mission, we have also secured a very desirable improvement at Oswego, for a boys' school, which is already in operation. It is under the charge of Mr. Bernard Cornelius, who is now a Candidate for Orders. To this school we look, as a means of raising up men for our ministry.

Such is a brief view of the present state of the Mission. During the past year, as you are aware, we have suffered much from the ravages of an Indian war upon our borders. This has been especially severe in the southern part of Oregon and northern part of Washington, but extending its evil influences over the entire country. In addition to the sad consequences on the spot, it has prevented immigration to the country, and sent away many who were already there.

The present population of Oregon is probably about fifty thousand, and that of Washington probably less than ten thousand. This population is scattered over the country lying west of the Cascade Mountains. With a climate, soil, and scenery so inviting, we may expect a much larger number of permanent inhabitants at no distant day. It is very desir-

able, therefore, that we should be able to occupy many other points at an early day, and to keep pace with the growth of the country. It is probable, however, that ours will long be mainly a Missionary work, to be sustained by the contributions and prayers of the Church. There are some half dozen places, at least, where Missionaries could be stationed, with good promise of success in building up permanent congregations,—especially in the Rogue River and Umpqua Valleys, in the upper part of the Willamette Valley, in Yamhill and Washington counties, on the lower Columbia, and on Puget's Sound.

But little has been done towards the formal organization of parishes, as I have deemed it best to defer that measure until a sufficient number of persons may be collected, hopefully pious and attached to the Church, to make such organizations permanent and valuable. I have confirmed but eighteen persons in the Mission, although the number might have been increased, if we had placed the standard of qualifications much lower.

What we especially need is an abundant outpouring of the spirit of grace. This alone can bring us true prosperity. Our Mission is valuable only so far as we are instrumental in the conversion of men, and in making them living members of Christ. There are many and great difficulties in our way, but they will all vanish before the life-giving power of the Holy Ghost.

I have kept no accurate account of my travels, nor have I any thing to say of my privations. Whatever they may have been, they are vastly less than those of Him who had not where to lay his head. On the contrary, I desire to record my deep sense of the kindness so generally bestowed upon myself and family for our labor's sake. I am especially indebted to the courtesy of the agents and officers of the steamships, and to those of most of the boats on our own waters. May the Giver of all good reward their kindness!

I desire also to record my thankfulness for the kindly interest and ready assistance extended towards the Mission, by our friends in the States—not only in the support of the Missionaries who have gone thither, but in our church building and in the commencement of our school. I trust this labor of love will yield the fruits of righteousness in time to come, to the glory of God, and the rejoicing of our benefactors.

Should I be spared to return to my field of labor, I hope to devote myself much more to the work of an itinerant, as I originally intended. Scattered as our population is, much time is spent in travelling, and comparatively small congregations, after all, can be collected; and yet it is incumbent upon us to "sow beside all waters." Other religious bodies are engaged in the same cause, to a greater or less extent; but yet there are very many waste places. The character and condition of our population does not differ materially from those of all our new settlements; while from our distance and isolation, we can derive but little from our intercourse with the States.

Brethren, pray for us, that the Gospel may have free course among us. There is yet a wide wilderness between us and you. Help us to plant ourselves firmly on the Pacific Coast, and we will endeavor to meet you as you descend our great Western slope, and rejoice with you while we behold the wilderness and solitary places blossoming as the rose.

Respectfully submitted,

Portland, Oregon, October 6th, 1856. THOMAS F. SCOTT.

Appendix C.—6.

REPORT OF BISHOP BOONE.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in t United States.

I had the very great pleasure to be present with my Brethren at th last General Convention, held at New York, in 1853

Soon after the adjournment of that body, I sailed for China accon panied by my family, Mr. Points, Miss Wray, Miss Conover, and Ton Chu Kiung, a Chinese candidate for orders.

On our arrival at Shanghai, we found things in a most deplorabl state. The city of Shanghai was in the hands of rebels, and its wall were surrounded by thousands of imperial soldiers, who had recently ha a conflict with the foreigners residing at this port. The prospect wa most discouraging; *inter arma silent leges;* but happily the Gospe trumpet may be blown in the camps of opposing armies, and on th battle-field itself. There was no cause for despondency, or idleness; nc much, however, could be effected during this state of anarchy an bloodshed

I am, therefore, happy to report, that about a year after my arriva the city was retaken by the Mandarins, and that since that time, w have enjoyed peace in our immediate neighborhood.

I cannot say as much for the poor distracted Empire The troops o Tai-ping-wong, driven back from the North, still maintain their footin on the Yang ts-Keang, and in the Central Provinces of China. Recen intelligence reports them as successful at Ching-Keang-foo, and approacl ing Soochow; from which place the inhabitants are removing in terro It is impossible to predict the issue of the conflict. Though residin here in the country, we hear very little of the doings of the contendin parties, and can place but little reliance upon what we hear.

In Paris it takes three days to complete a revolution; the Chines say it requires twenty years to bring one to a close in the middl kingdom.

Our labors here naturally divide themselves into three depart ments. Preaching, Itinerating, and Teaching: these will embrace a account of what we are doing for our neighbors, for those at a distance and for the young.

1st. *Preaching* has been regularly sustained in the city, at Chris Church, at Mr. Nelson's Chapel, and at the School Chapel in th neighborhood of our houses.

We also had preaching in a school-house, at a place called Niew Ka Kok, but this has been discontinued on account of its distance, and th state of Mr. Keith's health.

At Christ Church there is preaching daily, and two services on Wed nesdays, Fridays, and Sundays. The second service is more especially for the members of the Church and the catechumens. The attendanc at this Church is very good. There is also daily preaching at Mr Nelson's Chapel; in sustaining which, he is assisted by the Chines Deacon Tong Chu-Kiung. The attendance at this Chapel is mucl smaller than at the Church.

Mr. Syle, on his return, remises twice a week. He is assisted there by our B y Rev. Mr. Hoffman, The services at the School C es, and preached on Keith. This congregation num harge of St. Mark's most interesting in China. It is theless, I preached that are in the neighborhood, and five times a week. our neighbors, and such passers by l by the arrival The children, who attend the service, one of whom— chaunt very pleasingly. middle of the ear, faithfully As a gracious reward of our labors, we have onary labors cate to God, in the holy rite of baptism since my last Triennial Report. I have confirmed number of communicants is twenty-four. (who were th,) I left

2d. *Itinerating.*—Since my last report, a great change has taken place with respect to the freedom with which the surrounding country can be traversed. The old rule was, "You may go as far as you can, so that you get back within twenty-four hours." Now parties go to the distance of two or three hundred miles, and are absent for weeks, and meet with no molestation.

Mr. Points spent several months in itinerating, of which he has given an account in his journals. Our force of late has been too small for much itinerating, but now that it has increased by the arrival of Mr. Syle, and of Mr. Liggins, and Mr. Williams, we shall devise some plan for itinerating, by which our newly arrived young men, and our native Deacons may go out together.

3d. *Schools.*—Our Boarding Schools still continue in successful operation. The state of our treasury, from the high rate of exchange, has made it necessary to limit the number of pupils in each school to forty.

The girls' school has lost the valuable services of Miss Jones, for a season, in consequence of her return to the United States.

In addition to these Boarding Schools, which are expensive, and of which the number of scholars can only be very limited, we had gathered during the last year, twelve day schools, six of boys, and six of girls; but for want of funds have been obliged to give them up. This is very disheartening, to see those emerging from heathenism, sent back to darkness. With respect to the dear little girls, whom God had drawn out of their homes and entrusted to us, we had not the heart to send them away. Some of the members of the mission determined, therefore, when the grant to their schools from the Committee was withdrawn, to carry on the schools at their own risk.

Four schools for girls are now so carried on, in which there are more than one hundred girls, supported at an expense of $500.

On the 10th of February, 1856, I admitted Tong Chu-Kiung to the order of Deacons. This ordination affords most gratifying proof of the value of our Boarding School for boys. Chu-Kiung was one of the pupils of this school, and at his examination for orders showed a thoroughness of preparation, that he could never have attained without the advantages he had enjoyed in this school. His ordination was matter of deep interest to our whole mission; may we see abundant fruits of his ministry.

We have been much rejoiced to learn that three additional missionaries have been appointed to this field; and I have had the pleasure of welcoming two of them since I commenced writing this report. Mr

Liggins and Mr. Williams arrived this morning, in excellent health and spirits, after a voyage of seven months. We were over-joyed to see them. Mr. Powell is still in the United States. What hinders his coming?

The whole mission, with all the Chinese Keaw yur, "religious friends," with one consent gave Mr. and Mrs. Syle a hearty welcome. They arrived 15th April. Mr. Syle is fully at work again in the city at his old post.

On the first of January last, we lost the services of Dr. Fish, he having accepted the office of United States vice-consul.

On the 10th March, Mr. Points left us, taking a letter of dismission to the Bishop of Virginia. He was in very ill health. Miss Jones sailed in the same ship with Mr. Points.

We find our hands much strengthened by the recent arrivals, but what are they among so many?

We sadly need an increase of laborers; of active, energetic, enterprising young men.

Oh—that all such in the Church would take this to heart, and seriously consider this call.

Millions here are annually passing away into eternity, who know not God, and are without hope; and it is impossible for the few who are here to tell them of the way of salvation. Will none come to aid in this blessed work of charity?

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. BOONE.

Shanghai, June 28th, 1856.

Appendix E.—7.

REPORT OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL MISSION IN WEST AFRICA.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to assemble in Philadelphia, October, 1856

CAVALLA, NEAR CAPE PALMAS, WEST AFRICA, *January 11th*, 1856.

The undersigned begs leave to report to the General Convention, that the enlargement of the West African Mission, proposed three years ago has been effected; and that Monrovia and Clay-Ashland, in Mesurado county, Bassa Cove, or Buchanan City, in Bassa county, and Greenville in Sinoe county, constitute now, with Cape Palmas and its neighboring stations, integral parts of our missionary field. It is only to be regretted, that the points occupied are yet so few, the unoccupied ones so many.

The year immediately succeeding my last Report was devoted to strengthening the stations at Cape Palmas and its vicinity, and in organizing the new ones in Liberia.

My services were of course chiefly given to my own station, at Cavalla and those in immediate connection with it, including eleven towns an

villages, and an English service on the Mission premises twice a week. In this department of my labors, I was assisted by Rev. Mr. Hoffman, who took the pastoral oversight of two native villages, and preached on every Thursday evening in English, besides having charge of St. Mark's congregation, in the Colony, at Cape Palmas. Nevertheless, I preached during this time, in Grebo and English, on an average, five times a week.

In the early part of 1853, the Mission was reinforced by the arrival of Rev. H. R. Scott and wife, with Miss Eliza Freeman, one of whom—Mrs. Scott—it pleased God to take from us, about the middle of the same year. Mr. Scott remained at Cavalla during this year, faithfully devoting himself to the acquisition of the Grebo, and missionary labors amongst the heathen.

On 2d of September, with Mrs. Payne and Miss Williford, (who were under the necessity of visiting the United States for their health,) I left Cape Palmas, on my first visitation to the Liberian settlements. On the 7th, we reached *Sinoe*, ninety miles above Cape Palmas. I spent two days in examining the colony here. It is divided into five townships, which spread from the mouth of the river to the distance of seven miles in the interior. I found here two members of the Episcopal Church, and others favorable to it. But the need here, as elsewhere, of good schools, and of sound Christian instruction amongst the people, were the considerations which induced me to recommend this as a missionary station. It is gratifying to be able to add, that the condition of the stations at Cape Palmas enabled me to spare from them Rev. T. A. Pinkney for Sinoe, and that he entered upon his duties here about the middle of 1854. He has been much interrupted by sickness, but has faithfully performed his duties according to his ability.

On the 9th of September, we anchored at Bassa Cove. I immediately commenced arrangements for opening the station which I had been authorized to establish here. After examining all the localities which seemed at all desirable for mission premises, I selected a site near the new settlement of Lower Buchanan, and employed an agent to erect the Mission house. A lot was also selected for a church in Lower Buchanan.

Owing to the delay incident to all building operations here, Rev. J. Rambo did not feel authorized to take his family to Bassa until March of last year, and then he did not get into the Mission house until September. He entered zealously upon the duties of his station, with the faithful, lovely wife whom God had given him, as if for the very purpose of strengthening and animating him in his labors. But, alas! in two short months more, that dear sister was admitted to the Saviour's presence in heaven.

On Friday, 23d of September, I reached Monrovia, where I was kindly received by Rev. A. L. Crummell, lately from England, under appointment from the Foreign Committee. In opening the Monrovia station, an unpleasant complication arose from the presence there of Rev. E. W. Stokes, (a colored minister,) connected with the Diocese of Rhode Island.

In the year 1849, Mr. S. had been appointed missionary to the Cape Palmas station, but in the following year was dismissed for incompetency. Before receiving his dismission, however, having, with my permission, visited Monrovia, for the benefit of his health, he commenced the effort to establish *an independent church*. With this view, and on authority

of letters formerly given by Bishop Henshaw, (to procure funds for a church in Providence,) and letters from a few individuals in Monrovia, he sailed for England, with the two-fold purpose of procuring money to erect a church building and to have himself appointed Bishop of the Independent Church of Liberia, which he represented that the people of that republic ardently desired. *Notwithstanding the latter strange procedure*, the good people of England gave him considerable money, books, &c., for the proposed church. At the time of my arrival, however, he had done little or nothing towards building the church, (having consumed the money, as appeared by the statement of his treasurer, in salary and travelling expenses.) He was holding services in a school-house, loaned him by the Methodists. His congregation, perhaps, averaged fifty, and the number of communicants was about fifteen. While officiating here, he had persistently disclaimed all connection with the Cape Palmas Mission, and asserted his intention to remain independent of the Ecclesiastical jurisdiction there.

Under these circumstances, I felt it my duty, after officiating twice in the Episcopal congregation, to call a meeting of the same, and inform them, that while desirous to sustain the Church there, I could do it only on three principal conditions, namely: 1st. That they should acknowledge the authority of the Ecclesiastical authority established by the Episcopal Church on this coast; 2d, That they should receive the Prayer Book and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; 3d, That until able to support themselves, they should have their minister appointed by the Ecclesiastical authority at "Cape Palmas and parts adjacent."

The conditions were accepted, and *one man* only (not a communicant) requested that Mr. Stokes might remain as their minister. I stated the reasons why I could not consent to this, and appointed Rev. A. L. Crummell minister of the church. Mr. Stokes then formally resigned, and announced his intention to leave the place. He did so for a season. then returned—not having found any employment—and offered himself to the Presbyterians. But here again being refused, he recommenced services in Monrovia, and soon afterwards again sailed for England, to collect money for his Liberian Church.

At the latest advices he was still in England, collecting considerable money, which (as I have from the Chaplain at Madeira, and Mr. Stokes' own letter to the Ecclesiastical authorities of Rhode Island) he states is placed at my disposal, whereas he has never delivered me one cent, and even refused to allow the bell which he had procured, to be rung for services at Monrovia, after his resignation.

The Canons authorize me to forbid Mr. Stokes officiating at Monrovia, (he having never produced letters dimissory to me,) and to bring him to trial. But I have deemed it proper to spread out the statement before the General Convention, in order that, by its means, or else by such action as the Convention may see fit to take, the Church may be saved from the scandal to which Mr. Stokes' proceedings in England must expose it.

The congregation of Trinity Church, Monrovia, has progressed slowly under Rev. Mr. Crummell, and now averages 65 attendants and 25 communicants.

In the early part of 1854, Mr. H. Greene was ordained by me at Cape Palmas, and sent to Monrovia to assist Mr. Crummell. Together with

his duties in connection with Trinity Church, Mr. Greene gives instruction in a Female High School. Miss G. Williams has the immediate charge of the High School.

After making the arrangements above stated, I visited and spent four days, including Sabbath, at Clay-Ashland, our second mission station in Mesurado county.

The station was then under the care of Mr. A. F. Russell, a candidate for orders and lay-reader. Through his zealous efforts, a small brick edifice, called Grace Church, had been almost completed at the time of my visit. On the Sabbath spent at the station, I preached and administered the rite of Confirmation on the premises of Mr. Russell, in a school-house. There were about fifteen native scholars at the station.

In February of the next year, Mr. Russell was admitted at the same time to the orders of Deacon and Presbyter, and has since had the full pastoral care of Clay-Ashland station.

In connection with it, there is a boarding-school for natives, to which Colonist boys are admitted, and a Female Colonist Day School.

On the 11th day of October, I left Clay-Ashland and returned to Monrovia, where I remained for more than three weeks and a half subsequently. During this time, I preached twice on three successive Sabbaths, attended the meeting for the final organization of Trinity Church, and also assisted in forming the Mesurado County Convocation.

On the 8th day of November I left Monrovia, and arrived at Cape Palmas on the 20th.

On the 21st day of December, I had the pleasure of assisting in the consecration of St. Mark's Church, in the Colony of Maryland, Liberia, Cape Palmas.

During the following week, I attended the semi-annual examination of the Mission.

On Christmas day, I preached in St. Mark's Church, and held Confirmation.

On the 8th day of January, 1854, the Mission was reinforced by the return of Rev. J. Rambo from America, accompanied by Mrs. Rambo, Rev. W. Wright and Mrs. Wright, Doctor and Miss A. M. Steele, Misses Smith and Ball. But within a few weeks, on the 23d of February, we were called to mourn the loss of Miss Smith, who died of the acclimating fever. And on the 11th day of July following, Dr. Steele died of consumption. And again, on the 2d day of October, the Mission suffered the loss of another of its members, in Rev. G. W. Horne, missionary at Rocktown, who died of diarrhœa. His widow and daughter returned to the United States early in the following year.

My regular routine of duties during this year continued about the same as heretofore. I preached, on an average, five times every week, visiting every two or three months the more distant stations at Taboo, Cape Palmas, and Rocktown.

In the absence of Rev. C. C. Hoffman, who, with his wife, left for the United States early in 1854, I was greatly assisted in the missionary duties of my station by Rev. Messrs. Rambo and Scott, and *the sisters* of the Mission, who labored much in the Lord.

The semi-annual examinations were held as usual, in June and December of this year, and attended by me.

In the latter part of the year, was organized the Cape Palmas Con-

vocation, similar to that at Monrovia, and its first meeting, at Christmas, was very interesting.

The year 1855 opened propitiously. Mrs. Payne, who, with Miss Williford, "twice suffered shipwreck" the previous year, on the voyage to the United States for health, was restored to the Mission, and with her came Rev. Robert Smith and Miss Isabella Alley. The brother just named entered most ardently and successfully on his duties, and it seemed to himself and others that surely God had much for him to do in Africa. But alas! on the 24th day of May, God was pleased to add him to the many precious sacrifices already made for His cause in the Mission.

July 1st, through the good providence of God, Rev. C. C. Hoffman and wife, with Miss Williford, were brought back in safety to us.

The former took charge of Rocktown station, recently vacated by the return of Rev. W. Wright and wife to the United States.

But that Christ's cause should never seem to advance on this coast, by numerical strength, at the close of the year, Rev. H. R. Scott's health became such as to render it necessary, in his opinion, that he should visit the United States. It was necessary that Mr. Hoffman should again remove, and take charge of the Asylum, St. Mark's Church, and the native congregation at Cape Palmas.

The removal of Rev. H. R. Scott to Cape Palmas, about the middle of the year, left me with only C. F. Jones, native deacon, as my assistant at Cavalla. But it is gratifying to be able to add that he and other native helpers throughout the Mission have been animated, during the past eight months, with a zeal greater than has ever been known in the Mission. And the precious fruits of this will appear in the statistics, presently to be submitted.

Before giving these, I will state in one view the acts more peculiarly belonging to my office as Bishop of the Mission.

Ordinations.—In St. Mark's Church, Cape Palmas, on Wednesday, the 31st of August, 1853, I admitted Rev. H. R. Scott to the Order of Presbyters. The candidate was presented by Rev. C. C. Hoffman, who, with Rev. G. W. Horne, assisted in the laying on of hands.

In the same church, on Sunday, January 15th, 1854, Mr. Garretson Walter Gibson was admitted by me to the Order of Deacons. The candidate was presented by Rev. Hugh Roy Scott.

At Cavalla, February 15th, of the same year, Mr. Alfred A. Russell was admitted, at the same time, to the Orders of Deacon and Presbyter. Rev. A. L. Crummell and Rev. J. Rambo united in the imposition of hands, in the ordination to the Order of Presbyters.

At the same place, and in the same year, on Easter day, John Mum Minor and Clement Frederick Jones were admitted to the Order of Deacons. Both these parties are natives. The candidates were presented by Rev. Jacob Rambo.

In St. Mark's Church, Cape Palmas, May 21st, Rev. Thomas A. Pinkney was admitted to the Order of Presbyters, and Mr. Hezekiah Greene to that of Deacons.

At Cavalla, September 3d, Rev. W. Wright was admitted to the Order of Presbyters.

At Cape Palmas, in St. Mark's Church, December 23d, 1855, Rev. Garretson Walter Gibson was admitted to the Order of Presbyters.

The candidate was presented by Rev. H. R. Scott, who, with Rev. Messrs Hoffman and Rambo, united in the imposition of hands.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.—Regularly admitted: N. Sayre Harris, and Thomas Church Brownell, natives.

Desirous to be admitted Candidates: Thomas Munson, Colonist; G. T. Bedell, Samuel Boyd, and William H. Kinkle, natives; also, ——— McMorine, Colonist, at Bassa Cove.

CONFIRMATIONS.—1852.—In St. Mark's Church, on Christmas day, Colonists, 26.

1853. At Cavalla, Easter day, natives, 24.

At Monrovia, Sunday, Oct. 2, Colonists, 9.

At Clay-Ashland, Sunday and Monday, 9th and 10th, Colonists, 7.

In St. Mark's, Cape Palmas, Christmas, Colonists, 9.

1854. At Cavalla, Easter day, native, 14.

At Cavalla, August 13th, native, 2.

At Cape Palmas, St. Mark's Church, Christmas day, Colonists, 23.

1855. At Cavalla, Easter day, natives, 11.

At Rocktown, August 12th, natives, 7; Colonists, 2; total, 9.

At Cape Palmas, St. Mark's Church, Christmas day, natives, 4; Colonists, 11; total, 15.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Ordained Missionaries.—Foreigners (including Bishop), 4; Colonists, 5; natives, 2; total, 11.

Teachers.—Foreigners (including missionaries' wives), 6; Colonists (including wives), 10; natives, 11; total, 27.

Candidates for Orders.—Colonists, 2; natives, 5; total, 7.

Colonist Beneficiaries.—Colonists, 30; natives, 134; total, 169.

Day Scholars.—Colonists, 189; natives (irregular), 325; total, 514.

Sunday School Scholars.—Colonists, 341; natives, (irregular, 590; total, 931.

*Baptisms.**—Adults, (in three years,) 76; infants, 37; total, 113.

Confirmations.—Colonists, 87; natives, 62; total, 159.

Communicants.—Colonists, 128; natives, 113; total, 241.

Stations permanent, 12; places regularly visited, 50; ditto irregularly visited, about 50; total, 112.

Number brought under the influence of Mission, 100,000.

The view here presented cannot but animate the faith and hope of every friend of the mission.

To the last General Convention, I reported *eighty* communicants: to the present one, *two hundred and forty-one.* With the necessary sacrifice of the foreign agency, we have added to the domestic corps of laborers *five* Colonist and *two* native clergymen, with *seven* candidates for Orders; while there has been an increase of zeal in the native Christians generally most gratifying and encouraging.

At a time when, through grace, the Church appears to be endeavoring to arm herself to do her appointed work to "all sorts and conditions of men," the means used, under God, to produce the results above stated, may be suggestive.

The considerations brought to the view of the General Convention in my last Report, in reference to the necessity of some sort of organiza-

*Returns from several stations incomplete.

tion, led to the formation of two convocations, namely, the Mesurado County and Cape Palmas Convocations.

These associations, in their main features, are not unlike similar ones in the United States. But upon these were ingrafted some peculiar regulations, suggested by the state of the field in which we were called to labor, and the practice at the stations of the Church Missionary Society on this coast. Some of these I will take the liberty to state:

1st. The Convocations are composed of clergymen, candidates for Orders, Teachers, and *visitors*. (Visitors are Christians of approved character, appointed to the number of two or more in each congregation, by the pastor, to look after the people, to hold such services in small circles as the pastor may direct, and to report to him the state of the communicants.)

2d. At each meeting of the Convocation, (there being three annually,) besides regular religious services, there is a *business* meeting, in which all the parties above named take part, and a *missionary* meeting, at which ministers, teachers and visitors are required to read a report, and to make such remarks as they may feel inclined to offer.

Thus, the aggregate work, and intelligence, and zeal, and faith, and love, and hope, of the Mission are brought together three times a year, and the missionaries, and teachers, and visitors, and the Church or people of God, whose servants we all are, never separate without feeling more grateful, and holy, and strong, and zealous.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN PAYNE,
Missionary Bishop Prot. Epis. Church in U. S. America, at Cape Palmas and parts adjacent, West Africa.

Appendix F.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF GEN. THEOL. SEMINARY.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in compliance with the Second Article of the Constitution of the Seminary, present this the Triennial Report of their Proceedings, and of the state of the Seminary.

Printed copies of their Proceedings, since the last meeting of the General Convention, are herewith transmitted, to which they refer for the details.

A full, special Report of the Financial condition of the Seminary, has just been made by the Finance Committee, which the Board here incorporate entire, as a part of their Report:

"The Finance Committee, in obedience to the following *Resolution*, adopted at the last Annual Meeting of the Board, viz:

"*Resolved*, That the Finance Committee be, and they are hereby requested to present at the next meeting of the Board, and at each Annual Meeting thereafter, a full and detailed statement of all the property of the Institution, including Real Estate and Securities, and how

invested, with the amount of arrears of interest or rent, if any, and also the amount of all liabilities."

Respectfully Report, That the Property of the Institution consists of three kinds, viz.: Real Estate held by it in its Corporate name.—Real Estate held in Trust for its use.—And Personal Property of various kinds, also held in the Corporate name.

1st. Real Estate held in the Corporate name. All the block of ground, consisting of sixty-four town lots, bounded on the east, by the Ninth Avenue; on the west, by the Tenth Avenue; on the north, by Twenty-first street; and on the south, by Twentieth street, in the Sixteenth Ward of the City of New York, with the buildings thereon.

This is the Seminary Plot, and cannot be diverted to any other purpose, without an arrangement with the Donor—Professor Clement C. Moore.*a*

All the block of ground in said Ward, containing sixty-four lots, bounded easterly, by the Tenth Avenue, westerly by the Eleventh Avenue; northerly, by Twenty-first street, and southerly by Twentieth street.

All the block of ground in said ward, containing 22 lots, bounded easterly by the Eleventh Avenue; westerly, by the Exterior City Water Line on Hudson River; northerly, by Twenty-first street; and southerly, by Twentieth street, with the wharf privileges in front.

Some of the last above-mentioned eighty-six City lots, have been completed; and the remainder are in progress of completion. They have been, and are to be made, at the expense of the Seminary, upon land originally covered by water. Thirty-two have been completed for some years, of which twenty-one are under leases, to expire in May, 1860, at the annual rent of $125 each. The whole land thus gained from the water, is subject to a quit-rent to the City of $165.60 per annum.

2d. Real Estate held in Trust for the use of the Institution. The following houses and lots, bought in on foreclosure, in the City of Brooklyn, and standing in the names of Abel T. Anderson, Charles N. S. Rowland, and James N. Wells, as joint tenants, viz.: House and lot, No. 16, Second Place; let, 34 feet front and rear, 133 feet deep. House 46 feet in depth.

Nos. 4, 6, 8, 10, Second Place, each 17 feet in width, 133 feet in depth. Houses 46 feet in depth.

Six houses in Church street, between Hamilton Avenue and Court street. Lots 20 feet in width, 96 feet in depth. Houses 40 feet in depth.

This Trust property is estimated by competent judges, in an ordinarily active state of the Real Estate Market, as follows:

No. 16, Second Place,	$14,000 00
Nos. 4, 6, 8, 10, Second Place, each $7000,	28,000 00
Six houses in Church street, each $4000,	24,000 00
	$66,000 00

It is intended to dispose of this property as opportunity may offer. A large deduction may be made upon the above estimates, and the Seminary yet be a gainer by this operation.

a Vide—Proceedings of the Board of Trustees, June, 1833, vol. 1, pp. 410, 432

3d. Personal Property in the name of the Corporation.

Two Decrees of Foreclosure, Church street, Brooklyn,.....$6,757 91

Bond of C. F. Wiegand, secured by Mortgage on No.—— First Place, Brooklyn. Lot, 25 by 133 feet. House 1st Class. Estimated at $16,000. Interest 7 per cent., payable half yearly,..... 9,000 00

Bond of C. F. Wiegand,.....$7,000
" Don Bernard,..... 2,500—$9,500 00

Interest 7 per cent., half yearly, secured by Mortgage on No. ——, Second Place, Brooklyn, 32 feet by 133. Estimated with building at $15,000.

Bond of C. F. Wiegand, secured by Mortgage, on No. ——, Second Place, Brooklyn. Interest at 7 per cent., payable half yearly—34 feet by 133 feet. Estimated with building at $15,000,..... 7,000 00

Bond of C. F. Wiegand, interest at 7 per cent., half yearly, secured by Mortgage on No. —, Second Place, Brooklyn. Estimated at $15,000,.....$7,000
Interest, &c., accumulated to Aug. 1, 1856,..... 1,950—$8,950 00
In order to bring this last-mentioned property into proper condition, it was agreed with the owner that the interest might accumulate until the whole Loan shall amount to $9,500. It then becomes an ordinary mortgage for that amount, the interest payable half yearly.

Bond of A. Warren Smith, interest 7 per cent. per annum, half yearly, secured by Mortgage on premises in Mott st., City of New York, payment guarantied by Zion Church,..$5,000 00

Bond of Charles Olmsted, interest at 6 per cent., half yearly. Secured by Mortgage on premises in the City of New York, 2,850 00

Bond of Samuel W. Baker,—Interest 7 per cent., half yearly, and paid to Nov. 2, 1856, secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 1,800 00

Bond of Helmus M. Weeks,—Interest 6 per cent., half yearly, and paid to Nov. 1, 1856. Secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 3,000 00

Bond of Harman Blauvelt,—Interest 6 per cent., half yearly. Secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 3,000 00

Bond of Thomas J. Blank,—Interest 6 per cent., half yearly. Secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 3,000 00

Bond of Mary S. Watkins,—Interest 7 per cent., half yearly. Secured by Mortgage in the City of New York. Balance of Principal,..... 700 00

Bond of Mary S. Watkins,—Interest 7 per cent., half yearly. Secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 4,000 00

Bond of Robert McDermott,—Interest 7 per cent., half yearly. Secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 5,000 00

Bond of A. T. Anderson, interest 7 per cent., half yearly, secured by Mortgage in the City of New York,..... 3,000 00

Due from John Breinerd, as near as can be ascertained,..... 600 00

Mr. Brainerd was agent for the collection of rents at Brooklyn, but refuses to render his account. The claim is considered good, and has been placed in the hands of the Attorney for collection.

Interest in arrear in the course of collection,..... 1,578 71

Rent in arrear in the course of collection,..... 650 00

Library now in the Seminary,.....

Furniture in the Seminary,.....

Liabilities.

Treasurer's note on demand at 7 per cent. Interest dated Sep. 23, 1854, to an Association for relief of aged Indigent Females,..... 2,000 00

Interest from date,.....

Treasurer's note to Trinity School. Interest at 7 per cent., dated Oct. 17, 1855,..... 3,000 00

Interest from date,.....

Treasurer's note to Pollock on contract for filling in, payable November 18, 1856,..... 5,000 00

Treasurer's note to Pollock for building sewer in Twentieth street, payable Dec. 15, 1856,..... 1,848 08

Treasurer's note to Pollock on contract for filling in, payable February 22, 1857,..... 7,401 00

Due Joseph Tucker—balance for fitting up Chapel in Seminary,..... 155 24

Quit-rents, one year,..... 165 60

The Associate Alumni Fund for the Endowment of the Alumni Professorship on sundry notes of the Treasurer, some bearing interest,..... 2,503 67

As money has been received on this Endowment, the Treasurer of the Fund being also the Treasurer of the Seminary, it has been applied to the use of the Seminary, and a voucher or note made to the Trustees of the Fund for the amount. Whenever this endowment shall become operative, an adjustment of interest on the amounts so received and applied, must be made between the parties.

Balance credited Treasurer, to be settled by Transfer of Mortgage,.....$4,022 18

It will be remembered, that at the Annual Meeting, held in June, 1850, the Finance Committee reported a deficiency for the then coming year, of over five thousand dollars. And the expediency of suspending the Institution until it should recover from its embarrassments began to be agitated. The compromise of the Kohne Legacy, obviated the necessity of this, but did not by the additional income, place the Institution in advance of its wants, to any considerable extent upon its then current expenditure. The Salary of the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence, was fixed by the Standing Committee, to whom the matter was entrusted by the Board, at $1,500 per annum, so that there was no room for the increase of the other salaries, or any improvement of the Seminary and its grounds from that source.

The Corporation of the City about the same time passed an ordinance for building the Bulkhead on the City water-line, and filling in the inter-

mediate space. The estimated cost of this improvement, was $650.00. It became a question with the Committee, whether to recommend the sale of the property so to be improved, or to proceed themselves with the improvement as ordered. They adopted the latter course; and feel fully assured that the result will answer their expectations.

In the meantime, however, the annual current revenue decreases rapidly, and will decrease, until the new property can be brought into use.

In order further to improve the means of the Seminary, advantage was taken of a favorable stock-market, to sell the Pennsylvania Five per cent. Stock, taken as compromise of the Kohne Legacy. This was done at 96 per cent., and $90,000 invested in Brooklyn on Mortgage, at 7 per cent. interest. Very soon after this sale and investment, the exportation of large amounts of specie checked every thing like enterprise, depressed stocks, and bore with great weight upon Real Estate. The Pennsylvania Five's fell to about 83 per cent., their present market value. So that, by this transaction, 12 or 13 per cent. on $94,000 have been gained by the Seminary. And so far from the whole Kohne Legacy, or its proceeds, being in jeopardy, (a rumour announced at the last meeting of the Board,) that part of the property of the Institution including accumulation of interest, stands at present thus:

Real Estate,.....	$66,000	
Less, Taxes due,.....	1,000	65,000
Mortgages and Decrees,.....		$41,207 91
		$106,207 91

At about the same time also, in the face of a rapidly decreasing revenue, but in anticipation of the good results from the improvement of the River Front, the salaries of the Professors were increased $2,000 per annum; which, when added to the salary of the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence, $1,500, made an increase of $3,500 per annum; and since that time, the residences of the Professors and the grounds about the Seminary have been improved at a large expense.

There seems to be a misapprehension in the minds of some Trustees, which the Committee desire to correct. From the term "specific endowments," in the Annual Reports of the Finance Committee, some are led to believe, that *separate investments* of these endowments, distinct from the other property of the Institution, are kept. This is not the case. The whole property of the Institution consists as above stated. And the main object of keeping these specific endowments before the Trustees, is, that the interest shall be faithfully appropriated as settled by the Donors, and the principal returned in case of the failure or dissolution of the Seminary.

The Board will see from the above statements, that the office of the Treasurer or of the Finance Committee, is by no means a sinecure. The necessity of watching all this property—raising money, even in times when money could hardly be had upon the best security—the numerous annoyances from delinquent and dilatory debtors—and the proper appropriation of these funds, cause much anxiety and care.

The present Annual Expenditure of the Seminary is as follows:

Three Professors' Salaries,	$6,500 00
Instruction in Hebrew,	1,000 00
Librarian,	100 00
Scholarships,	2,294 00
McVickar Endowment,	50 00
Janitor and Assistant,	650 00
Library Endowment,	360 00
Printing, Insurance, Water-rent, Repairs and Contingencies,	1,000 00
	$11,954 00

Say $12,000 per annum.

Estimated Revenue,		
Interest,	$4,596 00	
Rents,	3,125 00	$7,721 00

It will thus be seen, that until the River Property can be brought into use, the annual consumption of principal will amount to about $5,000. The Committee, therefore, most respectfully recommend that no measures be taken at present to add to the current expenditure. It would not be safe or prudent, in the present state of the finances; especially as they are informed by those competent to judge, that the present force is and will be quite sufficient to conduct the instruction of the Seminary.

The Committee judging from the facts, that the Church at large has failed for years past to give any pecuniary aid of consequence to the Seminary, in the belief no doubt that its endowment is already sufficient; and, that Theological Schools, proposed and in operation, in various parts of the country, will necessarily take funds which might otherwise be sent to the Seminary, do not look at present for any considerable increase to the property, except from its improvement. They have accordingly so directed their policy, as to affect this result. They hope that, when the improvements now going on shall be completed, the property of the Institution will stand very much as follows:

Estimated value of 64 lots between 10th and 11th Avenues, at,		$192,000 00
Estimated value of 22 lots betweeen 11th Avenue and Hudson River, including the wharf,		90,000 00
Property at Brooklyn,		106,207 91
Mortgages in New York,		31,350 00
		$419,557 91
Deduct, liabilities—without the Alumni Fund,	$19,249 92	
To be expended,	25,000 00	
Annual decrease of capital, say three years,	15,000 00	
Balance on Treasurer's book,	4,022 00	$63,271 92
		$356,285 99
Add value of Seminary Block,		192,000 00
Total,		$548,285 99

In order however, to carry out this matter with greater ease and more certainty, they ask more power, and respectfully offer the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be authorized to mortgage, at such times, in such parcels, and for such amounts as they may judge expedient, all or any part of the Real Estate of the Seminary, situate west of the Tenth Avenue, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets, in the usual manner: *Provided*, That the amount for which such mortgages may be given shall not exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

(Signed,) ABEL T. ANDERSON,
CHARLES N. S. ROWLAND,
GULIAN C. VERPLANCK,
New York, Sept. 29, 1856. JAMES N. WELLS

The Resolution proposed in the Report was unanimously passed by the Board.

The Trustees entertain the confident expectation that within five years the improvements of the water-front of their property in Twentieth street will be completed, and the lots leased, so as to produce, from this source alone, a sufficient income for all the reasonable wants of the Seminary.

There have been contributions received from only nine churches since the last Triennial Report, all in the Diocese of New York, and amounting in the whole, to one hundred and six dollars.

The contributions to the funds and property of the General Theological Seminary, from the several Dioceses, are as follows:

From New Hampshire, as reported in 1853,.....		$	65 00
" Massachusetts, as reported in 1858,.....			4,947 00
" Rhode Island, as reported in 1853,.....			71 00
" Connecticut, as reported in 1853,.....			583 24
" New York, as reported in 1853,.....	$184,359 12		
Contributed since,.....	106 00		
			184,465 12
" Western New York, as reported in 1853,.....			10,716 95
" New Jersey, as reported in 1853,.....			5,215 04
" Pennsylvania, as reported in 1853,.....			12,910 80
" Delaware, as reported in 1853,.....			120 00
" Maryland, as reported in 1853,.....			7,445 90
" Virginia, as reported in 1853,.....			632 00
" North Carolina, as reported in 1853,.....			4,266 00
" South Carolina, as reported in 1853,.....			14,549 65
" Georgia, as reported in 1853,.....			180 47
" Mississippi, as reported in 1853,.....			500 00
" Missouri, as reported in 1853,.....			2 00
And the avails of the Kohne Legacy,.....			90,000 00

The number of Scholarships is nineteen, remaining the same as at the last Report. The Trustees are happy to state that the late John K. Adams, of New Hartford, in the Diocese of Western New York, bequeathed to the Seminary the sum of two thousand dollars, to found a Scholarship to be entitled "The Ogilby Scholarship," payable on the decease of Mrs. Adams.

The number of the Students for the last three years, has been as follows:

In June, 1854,	57	
In June, 1855,	44	
In June, 1856,	39	
Of these there have graduated—		
At the commencement of 1854,	23	
" " of 1855,	13	
" " of 1856,	13	
The whole number of the Alumni is		479
Of whom there are deceased,		53
The whole number of Students matriculated since 1823, and enjoying, wholly or in part, the benefit of instruction in the Seminary is	699	
Prior to that date there had been admitted about	20	
Total,	719	
At the last Triennial Report, the number of the volumes in the Library of the Seminary, was		12,220
There have since been added, by donation,	126	
" " by purchase,	272	
		398
Making the present number of volumes		12,618

The course of instruction remains unchanged. The Trustees refer to the Annual Reports of the Faculty, and of the respective Committees on the Examination of the Students, for evidence of the efficiency and soundness of the instruction which the students of the Seminary receive. The books used are in strict accordance with the standards of the Church. The Professors and Instructors are diligent and untiring in their efforts to guide and instruct the students in "the old paths of the Church," and to fortify them against errror from every quarter.

In connection with the course of instruction, it is proper to state that a Committee of nine has been appointed, who have it now under consideration "in what way it may be deemed advisable to revise and modify the whole course of studies," and who are instructed "especially to prepare a plan to secure a sufficiently thorough instruction in the evidences of Revealed Religion, and the relation of Philosophy and Moral Science to Theology."

Another important subject, which has been many times under consideration by the Trustees, has been referred to the same Committee, viz: "the appointment of a permanent Pastoral Head for the Seminary."

The Rev. Dr. Haight, Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence, under the pressure of his increased duties, as one of the assistant Ministers of Trinity Church, New York, resigned his Professorship in June, 1855, in the duties of which he had actively and zealously labored for more than thirteen years: his resignation to take effect when his successor was appointed. In accepting his resignation, the Board "expressed, and put on record, its deep sense of the zeal and fidelity with which, for several years past, he had discharged the duties of his Professorship, and labored by all the means in his power to promote the improvement of the students and the welfare of the Institution."

Many nominations of Presbyters have been made to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Professor Haight. The Board have, however, just resolved, at their Triennial meeting, to postpone indefinitely, all action in reference to the election of a Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit eloquence: and have authorized and requested the Faculty to provide that instruction be given in that department until the next meeting of the Board. They have been led to make this temporary provision from consideration of the finances of the Seminary, as detailed in the report of their Committee, and in the confident expectation that the instruction in this important branch will be as full as heretofore.

The Board has appointed the Rev. John Henry Hopkins, Jr., Instructor of the students in Vocal Sacred Music, and he has been engaged in the performance of his duties as such Instructor since the beginning of November, 1855. The appointment was made from the earnest wish on the part of the Board to enable the students to improve themselves in an important qualification for the sacred office: and it is hoped, from the zeal with which the Instructor has engaged in his duties, without any salary, that it may result in an increase in the number of those in the Ministry, who can intelligently and judiciously direct, according to the rubric, the musical services of the sanctuary.

The buildings of the Seminary are in good condition. The residences of the Professors have been put in complete order, and painted and repaired throughout. Admirable improvements have been made in the square containing the Seminary buildings—by the removal of unsightly buildings, and filling up, levelling and sodding the grounds. Additional trees and shrubs have been planted, and pathways have been opened, which make the whole more available for enjoyment. The acting Dean, in June last, reported, "never were the grounds so attractive to the residents of the Seminary; in fine, every thing has been done which good taste, governed by prudence and economical care, could suggest."

The Trustees, however, cannot but regret that it has not yet been in their power to erect a fire-proof building for the more certain preservation of the valuable Library of the Seminary. It contains volumes which, if lost, could probably, from their rarity, never be replaced—others which, though less rare, are yet difficult to be procured—and others again of peculiar value, from grateful associations connected with their donors. The erection of a fire-proof room for the most valuable volumes, has been suggested: but after due examination, this has not been considered expedient: and the Trustees can only wait with patience, till a way be opened in the future, for the accomplishment of so desirable an object.

There have been no alterations made to the Statutes since the last Triennial meeting.

The Board, while they express their gratitude to the great Head of the Church, for the measure of success which has attended the Seminary thus far, in the education of so many who have proved themselves faithful sons of the church—devoted and well fitted for their sacred calling, cannot but regret that so few students avail themselves of the advantages which are here offered them. Whatever causes may be assigned for this, and it is believed they are only of a temporary nature, the Board are sure that it is not from lack of endeavor on their part to promote

the welfare and prosperity of the Institution. The Trustees have not failed, and, with God's help, will not fail in earnest, persevering efforts so to administer the affairs of the Seminary, as that the whole Church may have its benefits. It was established as a general Institution by wise, earnest and warm-hearted men, assembled in council. But it is evident that to secure fully the wise intentions of its founders, it should have the co-operation of the whole Church. In proportion as this is wanting, the Institution so liberally designed—so nobly endowed, can only partially fulfil the great end and aim of its establishment—the training of hundreds who shall be found "apt and meet, for their learning and Godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honor of God and the edifying of his Church."

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order,

EDWARD N. MEAD,
Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

New York, Hall of the General Theological Seminary, Sept. 29, 1856.

Appendix G.

RULES OF ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

1. The Morning Service of the Church shall be performed every day during the session of the Convention.

2. When the President takes the Chair, no Member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. When the President shall have taken the Chair, the roll of Members shall be called, and the minutes of the preceding day read; but the same may be dispensed with by a majority of the House.

4. The business of the House shall be called up, and disposed of in the following order, to wit: 1st—Communications from the President. 2d—Reports from Standing Committees in the following order: On Elections; on the Admission of New Dioceses; on the Consecration of Bishops; on Canons; on the General Theological Seminary; on the State of the Church; on Expenses; on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; on the Prayer Book; on Unfinished Business; and Special Committees in the order of appointment. 3d—Petitions and Memorials. 4th—Motions and Resolutions.

5. The House shall proceed to the order of the day at 11 o'clock precisely, unless dispensed with by a vote of two-thirds of all the Members present.

6. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, presented to the Secretary, and by him read to the House; and no motion shall be considered before the House unless seconded.

7. No Member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

8. When any Member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

9. No Member shall speak more than twice, in the same debate, without leave of the House.

10. While the President is putting any question, the Members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

11. Every Member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

12. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. The motions to lay upon the table, and to adjourn, shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

13. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

14. When the House is about to rise, every Member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

15. The names of the movers of resolutons shall appear upon the minutes of this House.

16. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received, of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted by vote of the House. All Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House therein.

17. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any Member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

18. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair, without debate; but any Member may appeal from such decision; and on such appeal no Member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

19. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order. But when an amendment to an amendment is under consideration, a substitute to the whole matter may be received. No proposition, on a subject different from the one under consideration, shall be received under color of a substitute.

20. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another, who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division by those who voted in the negative, and in the case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and in the case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion to reconsider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative; and in either case a motion to reconsider shall be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either Order, without regard to its previous vote. And all motions to reconsider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

Appendix B.—1.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK,

To the Deputies from the Diocese of New York, to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

The following resolution, passed on the 26th day of September, A. D., by the last Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York, is hereby respectfully transmitted.

W. E. EIGENBRODT,
Secretary of Convention of P. E. Church in Diocese of New York.
New York, September 27th, 1856.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. H. Moore, it was

Resolved, That the Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention be, and hereby are requested to call the attention of the General Convention to the propriety of such an amendment in the organization of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as shall enlarge the number of Members constituting the same, and thus more adequately represent all portions of the Church, and correspond to its increasing numbers.

A true copy: WM. E. EIGENBRODT, *Secretary of Convention.*

Appendix B.—2.

A MEMORIAL FROM SOUTH CAROLINA,

About the Legacy of Mr. Kohne, to the General Theological Seminary.

The Deputies, Clerical and Lay, of the Diocese of South Carolina again approach your Venerable Body, on the subject of the legacy of the late Mr. Kohne to the General Theological Seminary.

When we brought this matter to the view of the last General Convention, we were of opinion that, inasmuch as Mr. Kohne was deemed by us, for reasons then stated, to have been resident in our Diocese, we were entitled to all the additional Trustees to be appointed under his legacy.

This question of his domicil being, however, involved then in a case, which, it was understood, was pending in the Circuit Court of the United States in Pennsylvania, your Committee, to whom the matter was referred, were of opinion that the decison of this House thereon should be deferred in order that the benefit might be had of the investigation and judgment of the Court in that case; and this House resolved accordingly.

The decision desired has since been had, not only in the Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, but in the Supreme Court of the United States. And we learn that on this particular point, the said decision in the latter Court is in these words, viz.: "He (Mr. Kohne) had so lived in the two States of Pennsylvania and South Carolina, and amassed property in both, that his domicil might be claimed in either." "He first settled," says the Court, "in South Carolina, where he engaged in active business and accumulated a large fortune. For many years before his death, his residence was divided between Charleston and Philadelphia."—"He had furnished houses in both cities."—"Until his

health became infirm, he resided a part of the year in the South."—"There is no evidence in which, if in either (State) he exercised the right of suffrage."

Deferring accordingly to this judgment, of the highest of the civil judicatures of our country, and having no wish to claim more than may be rightfully our own, we of South Carolina, in Diocesan Convention assembled, passed the following resolution, viz.:

"*Resolved*, That the Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention be, and they hereby are requested to urge upon it, at its next Session, the assigning of Mr. Kohne's legacy to the credit of the two Dioceses of South Carolina and Pennsylvania in equal shares, and to each Diocese the consequent number of Trustees."

We now bespeak from you such action in the premises as in your consciences you may think is equitable.

CH. HANCKEL,
On behalf of the Delegation of South Carolina.

In General Convention, Philadelphia, October, 1856.

Appendix B.—3.

MEMORIAL OF THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

To the Right Reverend the Bishops, and to the Reverend the Clerical Deputies, together with the Lay Deputies, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled.

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS:

The Parish of the Advent, one of the parishes of said Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, and in the city of Boston, that there is occasion for further legislation on the subject of Episcopal Visitations.

As an illustration of the necessity for such legislation, the said Parish asks leave to submit herewith to the Convention certain correspondence between the Rectors of the parish of the Advent and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

And thereupon the said Parish prays that such a general Canon upon the subject of Episcopal Visitations, may be enacted by the General Convention as shall seem meet and proper to you, and as may incidentally afford relief to this Parish from the position in which, as appears by that correspondence, it is now placed.

And said Parish asks an opportunity to lay other facts before the General Convention, if any shall be deemed necessary, to be investigated in connection with such correspondence.

HORATIO SOUTHGATE, *Rector.*

R. M. COPELAND,	C. P. GORDON,	JOHN P. TARBELL,
HORATIO BIGELOW,	JOSEPH BURNETT,	GEO. W. PEARSON,
S. BENTON THOMPSON,	WILLIAM FOSTER OTIS,	WM. E. COALE,
RICHARD H. SALTER,	RICHD. H. DANA, JR.,	FYTCH EDW. OLIVER,
N. AUSTIN PARKS,	THEODORE METCALF,	CONSTANT BROWNE,

HENRY MELVILLE PARKER.

Signed as above on behalf of the Parish of the Advent, in accordance with a vote of the Parish.

Attest: HENRY M. PARKER, *Clerk of the Parish.*

Boston, September, A. D., 1856.

Appendix H.—4.

MEMORIAL OF RESIDENTS OF BURLINGTON.

To the Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The memorial of the undersigned, members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, resident in Burlington, New Jersey, respectfully represent that Canon IX. of 1853, particularly the 4th section of it, has been found to act oppressively and injuriously to the interests of the Church, and especially to their own interest, by preventing them from forming a parish where such parish is imperatively required. An irreconcilable difficulty existing between the Rector of the only Episcopal Church in Burlington and a very large proportion of his congregation, has prevented most of those disapproving of the Rector's conduct from attending church, (and the few who do attend to do so under protest,) inducing some of them to resort to other Episcopal churches at points distant from their place of residence; others to unite in the public worship of other denominations; and a few to confine the religious observances of the Sabbath to their own dwellings.

The unpleasant state of affairs in which your memorialists (some of whom, and their fathers before them, have been long attached to and connected with this church; several of whom have held offices of trust and responsibility in this parish; others have contributed, in some instances largely, to the erection of the new church edifice; and all of whom are interested in the church) were thus placed, induced a number of the male members of the church to apply, on behalf of themselves and a much greater number of female members, for permission to form a new parish. This, without any adequate cause assigned, has been refused; and as the Rector of the parish is also Bishop of the Diocese, an appeal from the one to the other would be vain; and we therefore respectfully, but earnestly, petition the Convention to repeal the Canon alluded to, or so much of it as affects our case, or by devising such other remedy as in their superior wisdom they may consider best.

The nature of the difficulties existing between the Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, N. J., and ourselves, and those we represent, will be found in the accompanying pamphlet, &c., which we respectfully beg leave to present for your consideration.

Charlem Ellis,	David B. Trimble,	Chas. W. Kinsman,
James W. Wall,	James H. Sterling,	John Larzelere,
J. B. Tuft,	T. W. Milnor,	Christopher Wetherill,
Theo. Chamberlaine,	J. C. Fisher,	A. D. Chaloner.
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Appendix B.—5.

MEMORIAL FROM SOUTH CAROLINA,

Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary.

The Deputies, Clerical and Lay, from the Diocese of South Carolina, respectfully represent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in General Convention assembled, that at the last Convention in said Diocese, it was unanimously

"*Resolved*, That our Deputies to the General Convention be requested "to propose therein, such amendments to the Constitution of the Gen- "eral Theological Seminary, and especially of Article VII., as to "bring that Institution under the control of the General Convention."

The said Deputies do now, therefore, as in duty bound, propose to this House, the following resolutions, (the House of Bishops concurring,) viz:

1st. *Resolved*, That in the judgment of this Convention, it is essential to the well-being of the General Theological Seminary, that its Board of Trustees concur in so altering Article VII., of its Constitution, as that this Convention shall be empowered to supervise the action of said Board.

2d. *Resolved*, That it be proposed accordingly to the Board of Trustees, to insert in the Constitution, in Article III., after the words, "Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum," the following, viz: "Absent Trustees may vote by proxy, given to a co-trustee of the same, or of any other Diocese;" and in Article IV., after the words, "at such stated periods as they may determine," the following, viz: "There shall always be a meeting of the Board at the time and place of the meeting of the General Convention;" and that Article VII. read thus: "This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless by and in the General Convention, and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention and made known to the Board of Trustees, before they can be finally agreed to, or ratified in the ensuing General Convention, except that alterations originated by the Board of Trustees may be acted on finally at the General Convention, to which, they shall have been first presented, by said Board."

3d. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Board of Trustees to apply to the Legislature of New York for such alterations, if requisite, of the Charter of the Seminary, as may give effect, legally, to the proposed amendment of the Constitution.

Appendix J.—1.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM OF THE CHURCH.

CANON A.

Of the Definition of Terms.—Unless it shall otherwise appear from the context, the following terms, when used in any Canon, shall be construed to mean as follows:

The term "Ecclesiastical authority" to mean—

1. The Bishop of the Diocese in which the proceedings are had. Or,

2. An Assistant Bishop, if vested with power in the matter by his Diocesan, or with full authority by a Convention under Canon VI. of the General Convention of 1832, or under any similar Canon. Or,

3. The Bishop, Assistant Bishop, or Missionary Bishop, placed in full charge of a Diocese under Canon IV. of 1847, or under any similar Canon. Or,

4. A Provisional Bishop, elected under Canon III. of the General Convention of 1850, or under any similar Canon. Or,

5. Any other Bishop canonically invited to exercise Episcopal functions in a vacant Diocese, or in one the Bishop of which shall be under suspension. Or,

6. The Standing Committee of a Diocese not under the charge of a Bishop of one of the above classes, or in which it has been constituted the Ecclesiastical Authority under Canon III. of 1853, or any similar Canon.

The term "Ecclesiastical Laws," shall be construed to mean all constitutions, canons, resolutions, subscriptions, engagements, vows, and laws, which now are or shall hereafter become binding upon the Bishop or Minister of this Church, who, or whose conduct, may be brought in question under any Canon; and the term "Ecclesiastical offence," shall be construed to mean the violation or neglect of any one or more of such Ecclesiastical Laws; and the word "Diocese" shall be construed to mean the Diocese, or District, to which such Bishop or Minister as is last above mentioned shall canonically belong; and the term "Minister" shall be construed to mean a Deacon or Presbyter only. The term "Clergyman" shall include Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons.

The term "Organized Diocese" shall be construed to mean a Diocese in connection with the General Convention.

Whenever words importing the plural number are used, in describing or referring to any matters, parties, or persons, any single matter, party, or person shall be deemed to be included, although distributive words may not be used.

CANON B.

Of Limitation of Proceedings.—No presentment shall be found, in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the President of the Board of Inquiry. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a civil court, a presentment may be founded on charges delivered to the President of the Board within one year after such conviction.

CANON C.

Section 1. *Of Amenability and Residence.*—Every Clergyman in communion with this Church, who is civilly resident within the United States of America, and every Bishop consecrated by Bishops of this Church, except those who may be consecrated under the provisions of the tenth article of the Constitution of the General Convention, and every Minister ordained by any Bishop of this Church, until he shall have been received under the jurisdiction of some Bishop out of the United States and in communion with this Church, is amenable to the authority of this Church.

SECTION 2. Every Minister, who is amenable to the authority of this Church, is amenable to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he canonically belongs at the time at which the accusation is brought against him; no matter where the offence with which he is charged shall be alleged to have been committed or whether before or after the commencement of his connection with such Diocese.

SECTION 3. Every Bishop consecrated for any organized Diocese of this Church, belongs to, and has his canonical residence in such Diocese, and will continue to do so, until, having ceased to have jurisdiction therein, he shall be civilly resident in some other Diocese. Every Bishop having no jurisdiction within the United States, who is civilly resident within any organized Diocose of this Church, belongs to, and has his canonical residence therein. Every such Bishop not residing within any organized Diocese, but residing within the United States, belongs to, and has his canonical residence in the Diocese in which he was last canonically resident, whether as Bishop or Presbyter. Every Domestic Missionary Bishop belongs to, and is canonically resident in his Missionary District so long as he has jurisdiction therein, unless he be also a Diocesan Bishop.

SECTION 4. Every Minister belongs to, and has his canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District for which he was ordained, until he shall be canonically dismissed therefrom, and received into the Diocese of some Bishop in communion with this Church. Every Minister who shall have been canonically received into any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, belongs to, and has his canonical residence in the same, until he shall, in like manner, have been dismissed and received into some other. Clergymen of foreign ordination, not so received, reside canonically where they reside civilly.

SECTION 5. Canon V. of 1835, is hereby repealed.

CANON D.

SECTION 1. *Of Offences for which Clergymen may be tried and Punished.*—Any Clergyman of this Church may be presented for trial on a charge of crime, or immorality, or heresy, or doctrine contrary to that of this Church, or schism, or violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, or of the Diocese to which he belongs, or for any act which involves a breach of his consecration or ordination vows. But no presentment shall be found against any Clergyman, nor shall he be tried for heresy or doctrine contrary to that of this Church, unless he shall have taught such heresy or erroneous doctrine by way of writing, printing, preaching, or public or advised teaching.

SECTION 2. The doctrine of this Church is to be considered as contained in the Book of Common Prayer, including the Articles, Ordinal, and Offices. No sentence shall be pronounced, except it may be justified by these, on a literal and grammatical interpretation. Nothing shall be adjudged to be heresy, which is not inconsistent with the literal and grammatical interpretation of the Nicene Creed, as printed in the said Book of Common Prayer, and which has not also been condemned by the first four General Councils, or one of them.

SECTION 3. In this and every other Canon of this Church, in which mention is or may be made of literal and grammatical interpretation, is to be understood by the word literal, such a plain sense of the words as custom and usage may have given them. By the word grammatical, is

to be understood that sense which arises from such a grammatical construction as the like custom and usage will support.

SECTION 4. Any Clergyman of this Church, who shall habitually unite in and conform to the religious services of any Church or communion not in communion with this Church, or shall deliberately declare that he is no longer in communion with this Church, shall be adjudged guilty of schism. Any avowal of such union, or any such declaration, published with his name and signature, shall be *primâ facie* evidence of the facts therein stated.

SEC. 5. Canon XXXVII. of 1832, is hereby repealed.

CANON E.

Of Confessions and Summary Proceedings.

SECTION 1. If at any time during the session of any General Convention, any Bishop shall make to the House of Bishops, a written acknowledgment of any fact involving unworthiness or criminality, the House of Bishops may in their discretion proceed, without trial, to determine by vote whether the said offending and confessing Bishop shall be admonished or suspended from his office, or be degraded; and the sentence thus determined by a majority of the votes of the House of Bishops, shall be pronounced by the Bishop presiding, in the presence of the said House of Bishops, and entered on the Journal of the House; and a copy of the said sentence, attested by the hand and seal of the presiding Bishop, shall be sent to the said Bishop, and to the Standing Committee of his Diocese, and to the ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese of this church; *Provided*, That no sentence shall be passed by virtue of this section, which might not have been passed by a Court.

SEC. 2. If a presentment shall be found against any Bishop of this Church, it shall be lawful for such presented Bishop to transmit to the Bishop to whom such presentment ought canonically to be transmitted, a written plea of guilty, and such statement in writing of facts and circumstances, as he may think proper to make. If the case be one for which a specific sentence has been provided by Canon, the Bishop receiving the documents, shall, with the assent of two other Bishops, proceed to pronounce and record such sentence. If the case be one for which no specific sentence is provided by Canon, the Bishop receiving the documents may, with the assent of two other Bishops, pronounce and record sentence of Admonition or Suspension for a fixed period not exceeding six months, or he may cause a Court to be selected and convened in a canonical manner, to which he shall transmit the plea and statement of facts. Every sentence pronounced under the authority of this section, shall, with the presentment, plea, and statement of facts whereon it is founded, be transmitted to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, to be preserved among the archives of that House.

SEC. 3. If a presentment shall be found against any Minister of this Church, it shall be lawful for such Minister to transmit to the Bishop who is the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, for the purposes of that case, a written plea of guilty, and such statement, in writing, of facts and circumstances, as he may think proper to make. If the case be one for which a specific sentence is provided by Canon, the Bishop receiving the documents shall proceed to pronounce such sentence. If it be not a case for which a specific sentence is provided by Canon, the Bishop

receiving the documents may proceed to pronounce sentence of Admonition, or, with the advice and consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, any other sentence authorized by the Canons. Every sentence pronounced by the authority of this section, shall, with the presentment, plea, and statement of facts whereon it is founded, be preserved among the archives of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

SEC. 4. In all cases when a Clergyman of this Church shall abandon her communion, either by an open renunciation of her doctrines, discipline, or worship, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with her, or shall renounce his ministry, and declare his design not to minister in future in any of the offices thereof, and evidence of any of the said facts in the handwriting of such Clergyman, shall be produced—in the case of a Bishop, to the senior Bishop of this Church; or, in the case of a Minister, to the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese, being a Bishop—the person against whom such evidence is produced may be deposed by the Bishop to whom it is produced; in the case of a Bishop, with the written advice and consent of a majority of the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops; and in the case of a Minister, with the written advice and consent of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs. If, in a Diocese in which there is no ecclesiastical authority who is a Bishop, such evidence as is herein before in this section spoken of, shall come to the hands of the Standing Committee, they shall transmit it to some member of the House of Bishops whom they may choose, who shall thereby be constituted the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese for the purposes of that case. Provided always, nevertheless, that the Bishop receiving evidence in any of the cases mentioned in this section, if he have reason to believe that the party has acted unadvisedly and hastily, may forbear all action thereupon for the space of six months, and may give notice to the party that he has received such evidence, and that his deposition will be pronounced unless cause be shown to the contrary. At any time, during the said six months, the party may demand a trial; in which case, the Bishop shall transmit the evidence to the President of the proper Board of Inquiry. If the said party shall transmit to the Bishop a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may in his discretion abstain from any further proceedings. Every sentence pronounced under the authority of this section, shall, with the evidence and the advice and consent upon which it is founded, be transmitted to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, if the party deposed be a Bishop, or to the Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs, if he be a Minister, and shall be preserved among the archives of such House or Committee.

SEC. 5. If it shall happen that the Bishop, to whom any such evidence as is spoken of in the fourth section shall have been produced, shall be related to the person to be affected by such evidence, either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending lines, or as brother, uncle or nephew, he shall, and if, for any other cause, he should deem it improper that he should act in the case, he may transmit such evidence to another Bishop, who shall have all the authority given by the fourth section to the Bishop who shall transmit to him the evidence. If the person to be affected by the evidence so to be transmitted shall be a Bishop, it shall be transmitted to the next Bishop in seniority, not

related to the Bishop to be affected by such evidence, in the manner in this section before mentioned. If the person to be affected by the evidence to be transmitted, shall be a Minister, the Bishop to whom the evidence shall have been produced shall consult the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and shall transmit such evidence to that member of the House of Bishops whom they may designate.

SEC. 6. Every Bishop who shall have received such evidence as is mentioned in the last section, may, in his discretion, decline to act under the said section, and may transmit such evidence to the President of the proper Board of Inquiry. If he shall have any doubts of the authenticity or sufficieney of the evidence, he shall pursue that course.

SEC. 7. Every President of a Board of Inquiry, to whom any evidence shall have been transmitted under the provisions of this canon, shall immediately convene the board of which he is President, and the same proceedings shall be had as if charges had been canonically laid before them; except that it shall not be necessary to give notice of the time and place of proceeding to any person except the accused party, unless the authority transmitting the document shall have appointed a Church Advocate to represent the interests of the Church before the Board of Inquiry; in which case, the person so appointed shall be regarded as a party to the proceeding.

SEC. 8. Canon V. of 1850 and Canons I. and II. of 1853, are hereby repealed.

CANON F.

Of Proceedings in Ecclesiastical Courts.

SECTION 1. Every Diocesan Court shall be convened by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; every Court composed of Bishops, by the Bishop who has received the presentment, or the appeal. In the case of a Diocesan Court, not less than thirty days' written notice shall be given of the time and place of meeting, to each of the members; in the case of a Court composed of Bishops, not less than sixty days' like notice.

SECTION 2. Every Court shall meet within the Diocese to which the accused belongs, at the time and place appointed by the authority for convening the same. It may adjourn from day to day until a quorum shall attend. When there is a quorum, it shall proceed to organize, by electing a President and a Clerk, and, if it shall be thought proper, an Assistant Clerk. It may then adjourn to any time, and to any place within the same Diocese. In the case of a Court composed of Bishops it may, in its discretion, with the consent of both parties, adjourn to any other diocese.

SECTION 3. The parties to every proceeding in an Ecclesiastical Court are two, viz.: the accused and a Church Advocate. The Church Advocate shall be appointed by the presenting body, and shall always be a communicant of this Church, and, unless the proceeding be founded on a presentment for heresy or doctrine contrary to that of this Church, a layman.

SECTION 4. Written notice of the time and place of the meeting of the Court shall be given to both parties, at least thirty days before the time fixed for its assembling

SECTION 5. If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and notify him that sentence of suspension will be pronounced against him by the Court or Bishop at the expiration of three months, unless within that time he tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take his trial on the presentment. But if the accused shall not tender himself before the expiration of the said three months, sentence of degradation from the Ministry may be pronounced against him by the Court or Bishop, in its or his discretion.

SECTION 6. If the accused appear, he shall be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him; and on his neglect or refusal so to do, the plea of *not guilty* shall be entered for him and the trial shall proceed:—*Provided*, that for sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn from time to time; *And provided also*, that the accused shall at all times, during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order to produce his testimony and to make his defence.

SECTION 7. No testimony shall be received at the trial, except from witnesses who shall have taken an oath or affirmation, to be administered by some member of the Court, or by some person authorized by the law of the State in which the trial is had to administer oaths, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, concerning the matters charged in the presentment; and the testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or, if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness: And such party so desiring to take the deposition shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read. And no fact shall be regarded as proved, unless by the testimony of two witnesses, or by that of one corroborated by circumstances.

SECTION 8. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to a party, or leaving it or a copy thereof at his residence, or last known residence, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper.

SECTION 9. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within

the United States, sixty days before the day on which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

SECTION 10. Every trial shall be conducted by a Church Advocate. The accused may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have Assistant Advocates; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court or examine witnesses; the Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused on the other. The Church Advocate shall conduct the case with a single eye to eliciting the truth, and shall regard himself as much bound to protect the interests of the accused, except in matters merely technical, as those of the Church.

SECTION 11. The Court having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively, whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment, in the order in which they are set forth; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court. The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications of which a majority of the members of the Court have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing and signed by those who assent to it; and a decision pronouncing him not guilty of all those charges and specifications of which a majority shall not have pronounced him guilty, shall also be drawn up and signed by those who assent to it; and the decision thus signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

SECTION 12. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has any thing to say before the sentence is passed, and may, in their discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence; and before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a belief that justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony; and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, according to a sound discretion, grant him a new trial. Before passing sentence, the accused shall always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation.

SECTION 13. Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the whole evidence given before it. Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a statement of any testimony which has been received, or of any decision which the Court has made, or of any fact which has occurred in Court, or any paper which either party has produced, it shall be the right of either party to file an exception in writing, containing a statement of such evidence, decision, or fact, or referring to, or describing, such paper, which paper shall also be filed with the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed shall become parts of the record.

SECTION 14. Such records shall be kept by the Clerk and inserted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, shall, if the trial be had in a Diocesan Court, be deposited with the Secretary of the

Standing Committee, and if in a Court composed of Bishops with the Secretary of the House of Bishops. Such books and papers shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

SECTION 15. No question of theology shall be considered so decided, in any Court or assembly of Bishops, as to settle the doctrine of this Church, unless two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall have concurred in making such decision. But two-thirds of the Court may settle any question so far as the decision of the particular cause is concerned.

SECTION 16. If any Court convened for the trial of any question of heresy shall be of opinion that the doctrine complained of is not heretical, but contrary to that of this Church, they may so decide; and a person presented for heresy may be convicted of doctrine contrary to that of this Church.

SECTION 17. A Court hearing an appeal shall receive no new evidence, except such as may relate to the record of the Diocesan Court, and that only in case it shall be alleged that such record is defective. The decision shall be made entirely upon the facts appearing on the record; unless the Court be satisfied that the record furnished to them is defective, in which case they may amend it in such manner as they may judge right.

SECTION 18. Whenever in this, or any other Canon, notice of the time and place of any meeting is required to be given, such notice shall specify the building in which, and day and hour at which, such meeting is to take place.

SECTION 19. The parties to every appeal shall be two—the person accused and the Church Advocate; the party taking any appeal shall be called the appellant, and the other party the appellee. Each party shall have a right to be present throughout the hearing of the appeal and to be heard, by himself or his counsel, within such reasonable limits as the Court may prescribe.

SECTION 20. All the proceedings of Ecclesiastical Courts shall be private, unless otherwise requested by the accused.

SECTION 21. It shall be lawful for the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, or a majority of them, from time to time, in such manner as they shall think fit (so that a written approval of the majority shall be obtained,) to declare and settle rules and orders of proceeding and practice for the better carrying on the proceedings of Courts composed of Bishops and of Boards of Inquiry into the conduct of Bishops: Provided that the same are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution of the Church, or of this or any other Canon.

SECTION 22. Such rules and orders shall be submitted to the next Convention of this Church; but shall remain in force until disapproved or altered by that body. A copy thereof shall be transmitted to each Convention of each Diocese of this Church, through its Secretary.

CANON G.

SECTION 1. *Of Trials of Bishops.*—No Bishop shall be tried for any ecclesiastical offence, other than [illegible] contrary to that of this Church, after [illegible] made by a Board of Inquiry.

SECTION 2. Such [illegible]

charges exhibited to the President of the proper Board of Inquiry; they must be in writing, in duplicate, and signed by three male Communicants of this Church belonging to the Diocese of the accused Bishop, or five male Communicants of this Church, two of whom shall belong to his Diocese; one of the signers at least, must be a Presbyter; the others may be of any order. The charges need not be drawn up with any regard to form.

SECTION 3. All that portion of the territory of the United States which lies east of the Rocky Mountains, shall be divided into three Provincial Districts.

The First Provincial District shall include the Dioceses of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Western New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida.

The Second Provincial District shall include the Dioceses of Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Alabama, and any other Dioceses which may be formed between the Alleghany Mountains and the Mississippi.

The Third Provincial District shall include the Dioceses of Iowa, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas, and the North-western and South-western Missionary Districts, and any other Dioceses which may be formed between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains.

Provided, that whenever the number of organized Dioceses in the Third Provincial District shall equal that in the second, the Diocese of Mississippi shall be transferred to the second; and whenever the number of organized Dioceses in the Third shall, after such transfer, exceed the number in the Second, the Diocese of Louisiana shall be transferred to the Second.

SECTION 4. The Territory of the United States west of the Rocky Mountains shall hereafter be formed into a Fourth, to be called the Western Provincial District. Until that arrangement shall take place, the senior Presbyter of each Diocese, or Missionary District, shall, on receiving such charges as are hereinbefore mentioned, have authority to convene all the Presbyters of the Diocese or Missionary District, to constitute a Board of Inquiry, which shall have all the powers of a Board of Inquiry in Provincial Districts, and shall exercise them in the manner prescribed to such a Board by this or any other Canon of this Church.

SECTION 5. At every Triennial General Convention, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall elect four Presbyters and three Lay Communicants of the Church for each of such Provincial Districts, out of Presbyters canonically belonging to, or Laymen residents within, some one of such Dioceses. The persons chosen shall be members of a Board of Inquiry. If the choice be not unanimous, it shall be made by ballot, and by Orders and Dioceses. In that case, no Diocese shall vote for more than two Presbyters and two Laymen; and the four Presbyters and three Laymen having the largest number of votes shall be considered as chosen.

The members thus chosen shall have power to fill up all vacancies in their own body, whether occasioned by death, removal, resignation, or a refusal or neglect to serve when duly called upon. The members shall respectively continue in office until successors or a successor shall be chosen.

SECTION 6. The President and three clerical members of the Standing Committee of an organized Diocese, and three lay members of such Committee, shall also be members of the Board of Inquiry in the case of a charge against any Bishop belonging to such Diocese. If the clerical members, (excluding the President,) or the lay members, shall be of a larger number than three in any Diocese, the selection shall be by lot. If the number be less in either class, all such class shall be members. And where there are no lay members of such Committee, seven of the clerical members thereof shall be members of the Board, unless the Convention of the Diocese appoint lay members for the purposes of this Canon.

SECTION 7. The senior Presbyter by ordination, of those elected by the House of Deputies, shall be the President.

SECTION 8. The Board, whenever convened, shall have power to appoint a Secretary, either one of their number or otherwise.

SECTION 9. A majority of the whole number of members of the Board thus constituted shall form a quorum, and a majority of such quorum shall decide all questions arising upon an Inquiry: Provided, however, that no presentment shall be made unless one Presbyter and one layman from among the members chosen by the General Convention, and one Presbyter and one layman from among the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if there be lay members in such Committee, concur therein.

SECTION 10. When the duplicate charges shall be delivered to the President of any Board of Inquiry, it shall be his duty to call a meeting of the Board, including the members to be added to it on that occasion, at some place within the Diocese to which the accused Bishop belongs, within ninety days. It shall also be his duty to give notice of the time and place of meeting, sixty days before it takes place, to each member, whether elected or occasional, to the signers of the charges, and to the accused; sending also the accused one of the duplicate charges.

SECTION 11. The persons signing the charges, and the accused, shall have a right to be present at all meetings of the Board of Inquiry, except when, after the evidence has all been heard, the Board is deliberating on the propriety of a presentment. They shall be at liberty to produce and examine witnesses, and to cross-examine those produced on the other side. They may, if they think proper, have the assistance of counsel.

SECTION 12. The Board of Inquiry may adjourn from time to time, and to any place within the same Diocese. They shall be governed by the same rules of evidence as govern Ecclesiastical Courts, and by all such rules of procedure and practice as shall have been provided for Boards of Inquiry under the authority of this Church, and by such rules, so provided for the government of Ecclesiastical Courts established in this Church, as may be applicable to any question before them.

SECTION 13. When a presentment is determined upon, it shall be reduced to writing in such a form as will, with reasonable certainty, give to the accused notice of the particular facts charged as offences, and signed by all the members of the Board who have agreed thereto. It shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and shall be delivered to the senior Bishop, not being the accused, nor having signed the charges.

SECTION 14. The Board of Inquiry, whenever it has determined upon

a presentment, shall appoint a Church Advocate, who shall not have been a member of the Board, to conduct the case before the Court.

SECTION 15. If a Board of Inquiry shall refuse to find a presentment, the charges, together with a certificate of such refusal, signed by the President of the Board, shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, to be kept among the archives of the House.

No proceedings shall be taken on any charges brought at any time afterwards, which may be founded upon the same facts; provided, that not less than nine members of the Board shall have concurred in such refusal.

SECTION 16. When a presentment against any Bishop of this Church shall have been made and canonically delivered to any other Bishop, the Bishop receiving such presentment shall, without delay, cause a copy of the said presentment to be served on the accused, and shall give him written notice to attend at some place not more than one hundred miles from the place of residence of the accused Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty days after the time of serving such notice, either personally, or by some agent authorized by him, in writing, to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. He shall also give notices of the time and place appointed for such selection to the Church Advocate. At the time and place appointed in the notices, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend, and in the presence of the accused Bishop, or of his agent authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such person or persons as may attend in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by himself, the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, then being within the Territory of the United States, except the accused and those Bishops who may be related to him either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending lines, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall then cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused or his agent may strike off the list one name, and the Church Advocate or his agent another name, and so on alternately, until the number be reduced to seven. If it shall happen that either party shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the Bishop, who has given the notices, shall reduce the number to seven by striking off so many of the last-drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Bishops whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

SECTION 17. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for heresy, or doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, although not amounting to heresy, by any Bishop in Communion with this Church, residing in the United States, and not under suspension or degradation; but no Bishop shall in such cases be presented in any other mode; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Bishop making such presentment shall appoint a Church Advocate.

SECTION 18. Every presentment for heretical or erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person making it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and delivered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops,

and not being the accused or the accuser, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the trial of the accused. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser and the accused: twenty-one of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum, but the consent of two-thirds shall be necessary to a conviction.

SECTION 19. If, on the trial of any such presentment, a conviction shall be pronounced by a number of Bishops less than two-thirds of the whole number entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, it shall be lawful for the accused Bishop to demand a rehearing; and if on such rehearing he shall not be convicted by two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House, he shall be considered as acquitted; and no sentence shall be pronounced until after such rehearing shall have been had; provided that the same notice shall be given to the Bishops, of the time and place of such rehearing, as in other cases of trial. And the Court may be summoned to meet at any central place which may be selected by the Bishop convening the Court.

SECTION 20. If the heretical or erroneous doctrine be contained in any printed book, pamphlet, or paper, the presentment shall contain a description of such book, pamphlet, or paper, and be accompanied by a copy thereof, and shall distinctly specify the passages complained of. If the heretical or erroneous doctrine be not contained in any printed book, pamphlet, or paper, it shall be specified with reasonable certainty.

SECTION 21. If the alleged heretical or erroneous doctrine shall not be contained in any book, pamphlet, or paper, published with the name or signature of the accused, it shall be lawful for the accused to deny, in writing, with his signature, that he has taught or holds the doctrine objected against him. Such denial shall be conclusive. If the heretical or erroneous doctrine be contained in any book, pamphlet, or paper, published with the signature or name of the accused, such book, pamphlet, or paper, shall be *primâ facie* proof of its authorship, but it may be rebutted by the solemn denial of the accused. If the accused shall not deny his having taught the doctrine complained of in the presentment, or shall not deny the authorship of the book, pamphlet, or paper, published with his name or signature, the issue shall be considered as joined on the question whether the doctrine complained of be heretical or erroneous.

SECTION 22. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Canon, shall be attended by one or more lay-assessors, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. The assessors may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give to the Court an opinion on any question, not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise, whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court, by a majority of votes.

SECTION 23. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, name an assessor or assessors. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate: if not more than three are named, they all shall be assessors; if more than three are named, they shall reduce them to three by lot.

SECTION 24. Canon III. of 1844, is hereby repealed.

CANON H.

Of Trials of Presbyters and Deacons.

SECTION 1. No Minister of this Church shall be tried for any ecclesiastical offence, other than heresy or doctrine contrary to that of this Church, until after inquiry and presentment, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs, acting as a Diocesan Board of Inquiry.

SECTION 2. Such inquiry and presentment must be founded on charges exhibited to the President of the Standing Committee: they must be in writing, in duplicate, and signed by three male Communicants of this Church of the same Parish, or Congregation, with the accused Minister, or by five male Communicants of this Church who are not of such Parish or Congregation. They may be of any order. The charges need not be drawn up with any regard to form.

SECTION 3. When the duplicate charges shall be delivered to the President of the Standing Committee, it shall be his duty to call a meeting of the Standing Committee as a Board of Inquiry, at some place within the Diocese, within thirty days. It shall also be his duty to give not less than twenty days' notice of the time and place of meeting, to each member of the Board, to the signers of the charges, and to the accused, sending also to the accused one of the duplicate charges.

SECTION 4. The proceedings of the Diocesan Boards of Inquiry, shall be regulated by the rules and Canons provided for the government of the Provincial Boards of Inquiry, so far as they are applicable, and by such Canons as may be made for the purpose by the respective Diocesan Conventions, not being inconsistent with the Canons of the General Convention.

SECTION 5. If a Diocesan Board of Inquiry shall refuse to find a presentment, the charges, together with a certificate of such refusal signed by the President, shall be preserved among the archives of the Standing Committee. Such charges and certificate shall be a sufficient answer to any charges, which, at any time afterwards, may be founded upon the same alleged facts. Provided two-thirds of the members of the Standing Committee, who shall have been present at the inquiry, shall have concurred in such refusal.

SECTION 6. When a presentment is determined upon, it shall be reduced to writing in such a form as will, with reasonable certainty, give to the accused notice of the particular facts charged as offences, and signed by all the members of the Board who have agreed thereto. It shall be addressed to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, and delivered to the Bishop who may at the time be such ecclesiastical authority. But if the Diocese or Missionary District shall not be under the charge of any Bishop, they shall transmit the same to some Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who shall thereby be constituted the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or District, for the purposes of such presentment, and of all proceedings founded thereon.

SECTION 7. The Diocesan Board of Inquiry, whenever it shall have determined upon a presentment, shall appoint a Church Advocate, who shall not have been a member of the Board, to conduct the case before the Court.

SECTION 8. Any Minister of this Church may be presented for heresy,

or doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, although not amounting to heresy, by any Presbyter of this Church, residing in the United States, and not under suspension or degradation. But no Minister shall, in such cases, be presented in any other mode; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Standing Committee of the Diocese shall appoint a Church Advocate. The presentment shall be addressed to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, and delivered to him, if he be a Bishop. If there should be no ecclesiastical authority in the Diocese who is a Bishop, it shall be delivered to the Standing Committee, who shall transmit it to some Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who shall thereby be constituted the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or District, for the purposes of such presentment, and of all proceedings founded thereon.

SEC. 9. All canonical provisions affecting presentments against Bishops for heresy or erroneous doctrine, or the trials of Bishops on such presentments, shall apply to the cases of presentments against Ministers for similar offences, and to trials on such presentments, so far as they are consistent with this Canon.

SECTION 10. The Bishop receiving any presentment against a Minister, shall, without delay, cause a copy of the said presentment to be served on the accused, and shall give him written notice to attend at some place, not more than fifty miles from the place of residence of the accused, and at some time, not less than ten days after the time of serving such notice, either personally or by some agent authorized by him, in writing, to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting by lot the Presbyters who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused upon the said presentment. He shall also give notice of the time and place appointed for such selection to the Church Advocate. At the time and place appointed in the notices the Bishop shall attend; and, in the presence of the accused, or of his agent authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such person or persons as may attend in his behalf; or if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, in the presence of two Presbyters named by himself, he shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Presbyters of this Church entitled to seats in the Diocesan Convention, if there be one, and then within the Diocese, except the accused, who are not members of the Standing Committee, or related to the accused either by consanguinity or affinity in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew, and residing within the same Judicial District with the accused. He shall cause eleven of the names so placed to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused or his agent may strike off one name, and the Church Advocate or his agent another, and so on alternately until the names on the list are reduced to seven. If either party shall refuse or neglect to exercise his privilege of striking off names, either in whole or part, the Bishop shall reduce the names on the list to seven, by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Presbyters whose names remain on any such list, or a majority of them, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment, and it shall be their duty to act as such.

SECTION 11. The Standing [illegible]ttee of every Diocese containing sixty Presbyters m[illegible], unless the Diocesan Convention

shall otherwise direct, divide such Diocese into judicial districts, each containing as nearly as possible the same number of Presbyters, and in no case less than thirty. Each judicial district shall be composed of one or more civil divisions, forming a compact body of territory. Every Minister shall be considered as residing in that judicial district in which at the time of the presentment he has his civil residence. If his civil residence be out of the Diocese, in that in which he last had such residence. If a Diocese shall not have been divided, it shall all constitute one judicial district.

SECTION 12. If there shall not be in the Diocese or Missionary District in which the presentment shall have been found, more than eleven Presbyters qualified under the provisions of this Canon to sit in the Court for the trial of any presentment, the names of the Presbyters of some adjoining Diocese or Missionary District shall be added to those of the Diocese or District in which the presentment has been found; and the same processes of drawing and striking, which are prescribed in the tenth section, shall be applied to the names on such list until they are reduced to seven. The seven Presbyters whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

SECTION 13. The adjoining Diocese or District, the names of the Presbyters of which are to be added to those of the Diocese or District in which a presentment has been found—in order to make out a list from which a Court may be selected for the trial of the accused upon such presentment—shall be that in which there is the largest number of qualified Presbyters, unless there shall be two or more having not less than eleven qualified Presbyters each. In that case the Bishop may select any one in which there are eleven or more such Presbyters. The being a member of the Standing Committee of such adjoining Diocese or District shall not be regarded as a disqualification; but the names of the Members of such Standing Committee may be placed in the vessel, and on the list from which the parties are to strike, as occasion may require.

SECTION 14. When the whole number of qualified Presbyters in the Diocese or District in which a presentment has been found, and in that one of the adjoining Dioceses or Districts in which there is the largest number, shall not together amount to more than eleven, there shall be no drawing of names, but all the names of the qualified Presbyters of both Dioceses or Districts shall be placed on the lists from which the parties are to strike. The parties shall strike in the manner provided in the second section, until the number of names on the list shall be reduced to seven; or, if the original number of names on the list shall not have exceeded seven, to five. The Presbyters whose names are left on the list, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall form the Court for the trial of the accused on the presentment: Provided, that if there should not be more than five Presbyters qualified to sit in the Court agreeably to the provisions of this Canon, there shall be no striking off of names, but all the qualified Presbyters shall be Members of the Court.

SECTION 15. In a Missionary District, which has no Convention, every Presbyter who has a canonical residence in such District, is in the exercise of his ministry, and is not disqualified according to the provisions of this Canon, shall be regarded as a qualified Presbyter to sit in any ecclesiastical Court organized under the authority thereof, and

his name may be placed in the vessel from which the names are to be drawn to form a list from which the parties are to strike.

SECTION 16. When a presentment shall be made against any Minister for heresy or doctrine contrary to that of this Church, the Court for the trial of the accused, on such presentment, shall be selected agreeably to the provisions hereinbefore contained, except that the names of Members of the Standing Committee may be placed in the vessel from which names are to be drawn, and on the list from which the parties are to strike, as circumstances may require, and that the name of the Presbyter by whom such presentment was made shall not be so placed.

SECTION 17. If it shall happen that the Bishop who shall be the ecclesiastical authority of any Diocese or District in which a presentment may be found, shall be related to the accused either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew, the Standing Committee of such Diocese shall transmit the presentment to some other Bishop, as if the Diocese were vacant, who shall thereby be constituted the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese for the purposes of that case.

SECTION 18. In the case of sickness or other temporary disability of the Bishop, who shall be the ecclesiastical authority of any Diocese or District in which a presentment may be found, he may delegate his authority under this Canon to any other Bishop who is a Member of the House of Bishops.—If the offence for which a Minister has been tried shall be heresy or erroneous doctrine, of if there be within the Diocese seventeen Presbyters who are qualified to sit in the Court of Appeal herein-after provided for, and the decision of the first Court shall be against the accused, it shall be lawful for him to appeal.

SECTION 19. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Canon, shall be attended by one or more lay assessors, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such assessors may be present at all the proceedings of the Court; but they shall have no vote in any case whatever: it shall be their duty to give to the Court an opinion on any question, not theological, upon which the Court, or any Member thereof, or either party, shall desire such opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court, by a majority of votes.

SECTION 20. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, appoint an assessor or assessors. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate: if not more than three are named, they shall be assessors; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

CANON I.

SECTION 1. *Proceedings upon Rumor.*—If there is reason for supposing, from such public rumor, as does, in the judgment of the Bishop, bring scandal upon the Church, that a Minister has been guilty of any crime or immorality, the ecclesiastical authority may summon the party to appear in private, and upon confession of the offence alleged, may pronounce such sentence as shall be proper. In such case the accusation shall be reduced to a definite form. There shall be added thereto the confession signed [illegible] he sentence pronounced, shall be [illegible] ng Com-

mittee, to be recorded in like manner as other sentences are hereinafter directed to be recorded.

SECTION 2. If in such case, the accused party shall not confess the offence alleged, the ecclesiastical authority may, by and with his consent, appoint two Presbyters and one layman to make inquiry into the truth of the accusations, and to report the facts, with their opinion thereon, as well as the evidence taken. Such Presbyters and Laymen may be selected in any manner which the ecclesiastical authority and the accused may agree upon. In such case the accusation shall be reduced to form in writing. A general denial may be entered and annexed; and the same shall be signed by the ecclesiastical authority and the accused. Thereupon a commission may issue under the hand of the ecclesiastical authority, to the Presbyters and Laymen designated, authorizing them to inquire into the truth of the matter alleged. The record, with the commission annexed, shall forthwith be sent to the eldest of the Presbyters named, who shall be president of such Board of Enquiry. Upon the return of the record, with the opinion of the Board, or of a majority, if such opinion be favorable to the accused, the ecclesiastical authority shall furnish the accused with an attested copy of the record. If the opinion be unfavorable, a copy of the record shall be transmitted to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, attested by the signatures of the Members agreeing to the report, and shall be considered in relation to an inquiry and presentment, as equivalent to charges made under the second section of the Canon for the trial of Presbyters and Deacons.

SECTION 3. No Presbyter who shall have acted under this Canon, shall be selected as a member of any Diocesan Court for the trial of that case.

SECTION 4. The record of the proceedings shall, in either case, be transmitted to the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to be recorded.

CANON K.

Of Appeals.—SECTION 1. In every case of a trial for heresy or erroneous doctrine, either party, against whom the decision may be, shall have the right of appeal. In all other cases, the accused may appeal, if the decision shall be against him.

SECTION 2. All appeals in cases of heresy or erroneous doctrine shall be made to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and be delivered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the hearing of such appeal. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops: twenty-one of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 3. In any other case, if the accused shall be of opinion that the decision of the Court involves any doctrine or principle, and such decision shall be against him, it shall be lawful for him to deliver to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, for the purposes of that case, a declaration that he desires to appeal to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, because the decision involves principles which are, in his judgment, inconsistent with those of that Church. He shall state fully, in such declaration, the principles to which he refers. It shall be the duty of the ecclesiastical authority to transmit, as soon as possible, the declaration, and the record of the trial, or a copy thereof, to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the

House of Bishops, and not related to the accused either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. The Bishop, to whom they are transmitted, shall consult with two other Bishops, whether the case involves any principle of the Church. If the three Bishops, or any two of them, shall be of opinion that it does not, the appeal shall be rejected, but the accused shall still be at liberty to appeal to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese. If the three Bishops, or any two of them, shall be of opinion that the case involves a principle of the Church, the Bishop, to whom the declaration and record shall have been transmitted, shall receive the appeal.

SECTION 4. The Bishop, receiving the appeal, shall, as soon as conveniently may be, give notice to the parties to attend at some place not more than fifty miles from the residence of the appellant, and at some time not less than ten days after the time of serving such notices, either personally or by their agents authorized in writing to act for them in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the decision of the appeal. At the time and place appointed, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend, and, in the presence of the parties, or of their authorized agents, or, if either of them shall be absent, in the presence of those who may attend, if any, and of two Presbyters of this Church, named by the Bishop who has given the notices, shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House, then being within the territory of the United States, except his own, and those of the ecclesiastical authority, and assistant Bishop of the Diocese from which the appeal is taken, and of those who may be related to the accused, either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. Eleven of the names shall immediately be drawn and written in a list, from which the appellant shall strike one name, and the appellee another, and so on alternately until the number be reduced to seven. If either, or both parties, shall refuse or neglect to exercise their power of striking off names, either wholly or in part, the Bishop who has given the notices shall cause the names drawn to be reduced to seven by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will produce that effect. The seven Bishops whose names remain on the list, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the decision of the appeal.

SECTION 5. If the decision shall have been against the accused in any case not hereinbefore provided for, or if the appeal provided for in the third and fourth sections, shall not have been received, the accused may appeal to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese for the purposes of that case.

SECTION 6. The Bishop, receiving such appeal, shall, without delay, give written notice to the appellant, and also to the appellee or Church Advocate, to attend at some place not more than fifty miles from the residence of the accused, and not less than ten days after the serving such notice, either personally or by agent authorized in writing to act in the premises, for the purpose of selecting by lot the Presbyters who shall form the Court for the hearing of the appeal. At the time and place appointed, the Bishop shall attend; and, in the presence of the parties or their authorized agents, or, if no person shall appear on behalf of one or both of the said parties, of two Presbyters named by

himself, and of such agents as shall attend, he shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Presbyters then in the Diocese, whether resident in the judicial district in which the appellant resides or not, who would, if they had resided in that district, have been qualified to sit in the Court from which the appeal is taken, and who did not actually sit in the same, and whose names were not stricken off by either party. He shall then cause seventeen of the names so placed to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list, as they are drawn; and the accused, or his agent, may strike off one name, and the Church Advocate, or his agent, another, and so on alternately until the names on the list are reduced to nine. If either party shall refuse or neglect to exercise his privilege of striking off names, either in whole or part, the Bishop shall reduce the names on the list to nine, by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The nine Presbyters, whose names remain on any such list, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court.

SECTION 7. If there should not be more than seventeen Presbyters in the Diocese who are qualified to sit in the Court, there shall be no drawing of names; but the names of all the qualified Presbyters in the Diocese shall be placed alphabetically on the list from which the parties are to strike, and shall be reduced by striking to nine.

SECTION 8. If there shall not be in the Diocese, or Missionary District, in which the appeal is prayed, more than eleven Presbyters qualified under the provisions of this Canon, to sit in the Court, the names of the Presbyters of some adjoining Diocese, or Missionary District, shall be added to those of the Diocese or District in which the appeal has been taken. The Diocese or District, shall be selected in the manner and under the rules provided for in the thirteenth section of the Canon for the trial of Presbyters and Deacons. The same processes of drawing and striking, which are prescribed in the twenty-third Section, shall be applied to the names on such list, until they are reduced to nine. The nine presbyters, whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for hearing the appeal.

SECTION 9. The ecclesiastical authority of a Diocese shall not proceed to pass any sentence upon any accused Presbyter or Deacon, for thirty days after the decision of the Court shall have been announced to such accused, during which time the accused may appeal. Nor shall any sentence be pronounced pending an appeal.

SECTION 10. If, upon any appeal to the Bishops under this Canon, it shall happen that the decision of the Diocesan Court shall be reversed, the sentence shall be pronounced by the Bishop presiding in the Court before which the appeal was tried; in every other case the sentence shall be pronounced by the ecclesiastical authority in the case.

SECTION 11. Sections 19 and 20 of the Canon (H) of trials of Presbyters and Deacons, shall be applicable to Courts constituted under this Canon.

CANON L.

Of Sentences.—SECTION 1. The censures and sentences known in this Church for ecclesiastical offences, are admonition, suspension, degradation, and excommunication.

Neither of these sentences shall be pronounced upon any Clergyman, by any person other than a Bishop. Admonition and suspension may be pronounced by a Presbyter upon a Layman.

SECTION 2. Admonition of a Minister for any ecclesiastical offence not made a subject for judicial inquiry or presentment, shall be made by the ecclesiastical authority in private. Upon a second offence, it shall be public or private, in the discretion of such authority, and made in such manner as the said authority shall think proper. Admonition, when recommended or declared as the proper sentence, by a Board or Court instituted for the trial of a Bishop or Minister, may be public or private as such Board or Court shall recommend, and the ecclesiastical authority shall approve; or as such Court shall determine.

SECTION 3. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms or at what time the suspension shall cease.

SECTION 4. A suspension from the exercise of the functions of the Ministry for a fixed time, not exceeding six months, shall produce no effect on the relations of a Bishop to his Diocese, or of a Minister to his Parish, unless the sentence shall expressly provide for some change.

SECTION 5. The suspension of a Bishop for a term of more than six months, or without any precise limitation of time, shall so far affect his relations to his Diocese, that the Convention thereof may make such reasonable provision, for defraying the expenses of performing Episcopal duties by other Bishops, as they may think proper, out of the salary of the suspended Bishop. If there should be a Provisional Bishop canonically chosen and consecrated, the Convention of the Diocese shall make such arrangements for the maintenance of both the suspended and Provisional Bishops, as to it shall seem just.

SECTION 6. In every sentence of a suspension of a Minister who has a parochial charge, the Court pronouncing such sentence, unless in the case provided for in the fourth section, shall declare in the sentence whether the connection with his Parish shall be severed. If it be not severed, it shall be lawful for the Wardens and Vestry, with the assent of the suspended Minister, to appropriate such part of the salary as may be agreed upon, to the maintenance of a Minister to perform the duties of the suspended Minister during his suspension. If they cannot agree upon the amount to be so appropriated, the question may be decided by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese. The Wardens and Vestrymen, with the consent and approbation of the said ecclesiastical authority, may apply to the purposes aforesaid the whole of the said salary, profits, or emoluments

SECTION 7. When any clergyman is degraded from the Holy Ministry, he is degraded therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower order of the same. Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions, are the same as degradation. No degraded Clergyman shall be restored to the exercise of the Ministry.

SECTION 8. Upon a sentence of degradation being pronounced upon any Clergyman, the connection between such Clergyman and his Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, is *ipso facto* severed; and all offices which he holds by virtue of his office or otherwise, under any Canon of this Church, or of any Diocese, shall wholly cease and determine; and in case of a sentence of suspension, the said offices shall not be exercised during the continuance of such sentence.

SECOND 9. The sentence of excommunication is, by the law of this Church, applicable to the following cases only:

1. To the case of a Clergyman who has been degraded from his

office, and who has also been repelled from the Holy Communion, by the action of the ecclesiastical authority, or Court having jurisdiction.

Whenever a sentence of degradation is accompanied with a sentence of excommunication, the terms upon which the latter shall cease shall be expressed therein.

It shall at any time be lawful for any three Bishops of this Church to remove the sentence of excommunication, when passed upon a Bishop; or to pronounce that the terms and conditions of such sentence have been complied with; whereupon the same shall terminate. Where the sentence has been pronounced upon a minister, the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese shall have the like power.

2. To the sentence of suspension from Communion, which may be pronounced by a Presbyter upon a layman, according to the Rubrics and Canons of the Church.

SECTION 10. Notice of the sentence of suspension or degradation of a Clergyman shall be sent to the ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese of this Church. This section applies to all sentences of degradation or suspension pronounced under the authority of any Canon.

A copy of such sentence shall be sent to the accused, and another to the Vestry of every Parish or Congregation with which he may be canonically connected.

SECTION 11. The sentence to be pronounced after a judicial inquiry in either of the modes contained in the Canons, shall be as follows, to wit:

The sentence for a violation of a Constitution or Canon, not involving immorality, shall be only admonition, or suspension for a limited and definite time. The sentence for teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of the Church, but not amounting to heresy, shall always be suspension until the false doctrine is recanted; the sentence for heresy shall be—for the first offence, suspension until the party shall recant the heresy, and for the second, degradation; the sentence for schism shall be degradation, but such sentence shall not be pronounced until six calendar months after the finding of the Court, nor then, if the party shall satisfy the ecclesiastical authority that he has returned to the communion of the Church. The sentence for other offences shall be either admonition, or suspension for a limited and definite time, or suspension for a certain and definite time and until a certificate of the reformation of the party sentenced is obtained, or degradation; when the sentence requires a certificate of reformation, it must be signed by three Bishops in the case of a Bishop, or three presbyters in the case of a minister, and shall be produced to some ecclesiastical authority described in the sentence of suspension.

SECTION 12. If any deposed or suspended Clergyman shall presume to perform any part of the ministerial office, or to gather a separate congregation, he shall be excommunicated. And if any Clergyman shall take upon him to countenance such Clergyman in his separation, he shall be suspended from the exercise of his holy functions. And such of the laity as shall adhere to the deposed Clergyman either in worship or other sacred administrations, shall not be allowed to partake of any Church Ordinances until they are reconciled again and received by the Bishop of the Diocese.

SECTION 13. Canon XXXIX. of 1832, and Canon III. of 1847, are hereby repealed.

The preceding series of Canons is submitted to the consideration of the General Convention by the undersigned members of the Committee.

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Appendix J.—2.

REPORT OF A MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE ON "THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM OF THE CHURCH,"

The undersigned, a minority of the Joint Committee on the Judicial System of the Church, respectfully report the following Canon: "Of the trial of a Bishop," as a substitute for "Canon G. of trial of Bishops," in the report of the majority. We have not reported Canons as substitutes for "Canon H. of trial of Presbyters and Deacons," or for "Canon K. on Appeals," because such Canons cannot be enacted without first changing the Constitution.

CANON OF THE TRIAL OF A BISHOP.

SECTION 1. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for trial on a charge of crime, or immorality, or heresy, or doctrine contrary to that of this Church, or violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, or of his own Diocese, or any other act which involves the breach of his vows of Consecration. The presentment may be made in either of the two modes hereinafter specified.

SECTION 2. Such presentment first may be made in writing, setting forth the grounds of accusation with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance, and signed by three Presbyters and three Lay Communicants of the Diocese to which the accused Bishop belongs, or, in case the said Bishop shall not be at the time the acting Bishop of a Diocese, then by any three Presbyters and three Laymen being Communicants of the Church, all of whom shall be in good standing; shall pledge themselves, under their proper signatures, to prove the of the charges on the trial, under the penalty, that if they fail probable cause for said presentment, by the production of cred mony, they shall be severally liable according to their order to ecclesiastical censure, and the laymen to suspension fro munion. In addition to which, there shall be required presentment, a certificate of three Bishops, endorsed forth that the said Bishops deem the charges, on their ficient weight and magnitude to demand a trial. But t the said certificate shall not be obliged thereby in an the truth of said charges, nor to hear any testim opinion in relation to the same. Nor shall they be certificate, from taking their place with the rest o judges, on the trial; or, secondly, the presentmen Convention of the Diocese to which the accused

thirds of each order present [redacted]
the clergy entitled to seats in [redacted]
ded, that two-thirds of the [redacted]
vention be represented there[redacted]
case take place on the same day [redacted]
offered; and when thus made [redacted]
be signed by a *committee* of [redacted]
and three laymen, to be appointed [redacted]
be to carry on the prosecution.

SECTION 3. The presentment [redacted]
dressed to the senior Bishop of the [redacted]
thereof, appoint a time and place [redacted]
of the House of Bishops then [redacted]
States. The time shall not be less than [redacted]
dar months from the day on which the [redacted]
distant Diocese, in the ordinary course [redacted]
place shall be within the Diocese [redacted]
Bishop, unless where the same may [redacted]
sonable convenience may require [redacted]
And the said senior Bishop shall [redacted]
sentment, with notice of the time [redacted]
Bishop, and to all the other Bishops [redacted]
senters or to the committee of [redacted]
appear. Provided, nevertheless, that [redacted] on
the accused party, the presentment [redacted] ce
in seniority, and the duties aforesaid [redacted] ry,
SECTION 4. The Bishops being [redacted] ourt
appointed, in number not less than [redacted]
three of their body, to decide all [redacted]
arise during the trial, the senior [redacted]
Council. They shall also [redacted]
record of the proceedings. [redacted] sed by the
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and [redacted] Bishop
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draw, and shall proceed to consider upon the verdict which may seem righteous and just, upon the several charges and specifications in the presentment. But no Bishop shall be condemned unless two-thirds of all the Bishops present in Council shall concur in the verdict. And such verdict being pronounced, and signed by the requisite number, the accused Bishop shall be admitted, and the President shall announce to him the decision of the Council, and call upon him to state whatever he may have to say, why sentence should not be passed upon him. Which being done, he shall withdraw, and the Council shall proceed to decide upon the sentence, and award the penalty of admonition, suspension, or deposition, as they shall deem fit. And the decision so made shall be communicated by the President to the Ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese of this Church, who shall order the same to be read to each congregation on the next occasion of public worship, by its Minister.

SECTION 6. The privilege of advocates or proctors, not exceeding two on either side, shall be allowed to both the parties, provided they be men of the legal profession, and communicants in the Church of not less than one year's standing. And if the presenters or committee of prosecution intend to avail themselves of this privilege, the names of their advocates shall be signed after their own, on the presentment, and the prosecution before the Council shall be conducted by them only. In like manner the accused Bishop shall determine whether to avail himself of this right at the opening of the Council, and if he chooses to employ advocates, they shall perform their office from the beginning to the end. And if any of the witnesses reside more than one hundred miles from the place of trial, or be unable to attend, their testimony may be taken by commission, in the same manner as is customary in the Secular Courts.

SECTION 7. The House of Bishops, at any session of the General Convention, may elect three of their number to act as judges, of whom the Senior Bishop shall be President, with power to decide, in the manner of Judges in the Secular Courts, all questions of law and order in any trial which may take place before the next Triennial Meeting of the said General Convention. And in such case, the persons so appointed shall fulfil their office in any Council which may be summoned during the three years next ensuing their election, and the Council shall then only elect in the event of a vacancy, by death or absence, in their number, or in the event that the accused be one of the Judges. Provided always, That the whole Council, in the final decision, shall be the judges of the law as well as of the facts. And provided also, That the three Bishops appointed as judges shall not be obliged to unite in the verdict of condemnation, unless when the requisite number cannot be had without them. And provided further, That after a Bishop has been tried upon a presentment, made in either one of the modes above prescribed, he shall not again be presented for the same offence, or upon the same charges, or grounds of accusation.

SECTION 8. The Senior Bishop shall have power to appoint summoners—to serve the needful notices, to appoint Commissioners to take depositions, or the Council when in session may do the same, whose acts shall conform to the rules and usages of the Secular Courts in like cases

SECTION 9. CANON II. of 1844, is hereby repealed.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
P. WILLIAMS.

Appendix K.

AMENDMENTS OF CONSTITUTION, AND CANONS

Which lie over for action in the General Convention of 1859.

AMENDMENTS OF THE CONSTITUTION "PROPOSED"

In the General Convention of 1856, *to be "made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to or ratified in the ensuing General Convention."*

ARTICLE III.

Whenever General Conventions are held, the Bishops of this Church shall form a separate House, with the right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, and all acts must pass both Houses.

ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, but the General Convention may establish a Court of Appeals for the revision of the decision of Diocesan Courts. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. Such Court of Appeals not to revise the determination of any question of fact.

PROPOSED CANON.

Definitive action on the following Canon (it having been passed by the House of Deputies) was, at the instance of the House of Bishops, postponed to the next General Convention.

CANON

Of Councils of Conciliation.

SECTION 1. Whenever any difference shall arise between any two Bishops of this Church having jurisdiction, respecting their relative rights and duties, or between any such Bishop and the Convention of his Diocese, or any Parish under his jurisdiction, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who is not interested in the matter, for a Council of Conciliation.

SECTION 2. The Council shall be composed of three Bishops, two Clerical and two Lay members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be selected by lot, to whom may be added, as members, two male Communicants of the Church of any order, one of whom may be named by each of the parties to the dispute.

SECTION 3. In order to the selection of those members who are to be drawn by lot, the Bishop called upon for the Council shall proceed to draw by lot, the names of three Dioceses, from a vessel containing the names of the five Dioceses having Bishops entitled to sit in the House,

whose residences are nearest to the place where the controversy arose; and the Bishop or Provisional Bishop of those Dioceses, or if the Diocesan Bishop of any one of them be disabled by age or infirmity, his Assistant Bishop, shall be the three Episcopal members of the Council. The names of the Clerical Deputies of the last General Convention of the other two Dioceses shall then be placed in one vessel, and those of the Lay Deputies in another, and one of each drawn, who, with the Bishops and the nominees of the parties, shall constitute the Council.

SECTION 4. The Council shall meet at a time and place to be appointed by the Bishop who has drawn the lots, of which it shall be his duty to give notice to all persons concerned.

SECTION 5. The Council, when assembled, shall endeavor to reconcile, on christian principles, the conflicting views of the parties, and may, if they think proper, prepare a scheme according to which, in their judgment, the questions in dispute ought to be settled, and communicate such scheme in writing, under the hands of those of them who approve of it, to all persons interested.

Appendix L.—1.

DOCUMENTS OF HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN A COMMISSION OF BISHOPS OF THE AMERICAN PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY, RESPECTING EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY JURISDICTION IN CHINA.

NEW YORK, 26th June, A. D. 1855.

DEAR AND VENERABLE BROTHER:—The undersigned were appointed at the last meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in October, 1853, a Committee of the House of Bishops, under the following Resolution, reported by the Joint Committee of both Houses, on Domestic and Foreign Missions:

"*Resolved*, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that the subject of the conflict of Jurisdiction between the Missionary Bishop of this Church in China, and the Bishop of Victoria, be referred to a Committee of three Bishops, to act in the recess of the General Convention, in conference and consultation with the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions: and to hold such correspondence, as they may deem suitable to the case, with his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, and with the Church Missionary Society in England, to report such correspondence to the next General Convention."

In pursuance of the trust thus committed to them, the undersigned, after due conference and consultation with the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, approach your Grace, with sentiments of the highest personal respect, and of the most sincere fraternal affection; and, at the same time, with a deep impression of the very great importance of the subject which they are to treat. For the present, they venture to think, that they may properly confine themselves to that portion of their instructions which directs them to correspond "with his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury;" reserving any communication "with the

Church Missionary Society in England," until a more advanced period of the transaction with which they are entrusted.

The undersigned are well persuaded, that your Grace desires, that the interesting and important question, which has arisen in China, should be settled in the way which shall seem most favorable to the establishment of the Redeemer's Kingdom in that vast wilderness of heathenism, on the firmest and most enduring basis; and not less, that the mutual relations, of the two Branches of Christ's Church, which have been providentially called to engage in its introduction there, should be exercised in utmost charity and courtesy. So anxious in this latter point were the Board of Missions, that, in March, 1844—a few months before the Consecration of Bishop Boone, but after the duty of sending out a Bishop, as the Leader in that portion of their Missionary Work, was felt to be imperative—they addressed a letter, by a Committee of three Bishops, viz: of New Jersey, Maryland and Delaware, to your Grace's Venerable Predecessor; a copy of which accompanies this communication. Its purport will be gathered from the Resolutions passed at the previous annual meeting of the Board of Missions, under which they acted.

"*Resolved*, That it is necessary to the redemption of the Church's pledge to China, in sending a Missionary there, and to the grateful acknowledgment of God's blessing on His work, not only to increase the number of laborers in that field, but, to send a Bishop at their head; and inasmuch, as it is understood to be probable, that the Sister Church of England will shortly propose the establishment of a Bishopric, to supervise her Missions there; therefore further, *Resolved*, That a Committee of Three be appointed, from this Board, to open a correspondence with the proper authorities, as to the best mode in which the Churches can co-operate in this labor of love, without interference with each other." To that letter the Venerable Prelate, who then adorned the Archiepiscopal See of Canterbury, under date of "Lambeth, 2nd September," replied. A copy of this letter is also sent herewith.

RIVERSIDE, March 12th, 1844.

DEAR AND VENERABLE BROTHER:—The undersigned were appointed a Committee, at the last meeting of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, under the following resolutions:

"*Resolved*, That it is necessary to the redemption of the Church's pledge, to China, in sending a Missionary there, and to the grateful acknowledgment of God's blessing on his work, not only to increase the number of laborers in that field, but to send a Bishop at their head; and, inasmuch as it is understood to be probable that the Sister Church of England will shortly propose the establishment of a Bishopric to supervise her Missions there, therefore, further

"*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed from this Board to open a correspondence with the proper authorities, as to the best mode in which the Churches can co-operate in this labor of love, without interference with each other."

They suppose that, in the discharge of this duty, they properly address themselves to your Grace, as Primate of all England, and Metropolitan; and in doing so, they desire, first, to express the satisfaction which it gives them to approach in the bonds of the common faith, on an errand

of Christian love, that ancient portion of Christ's Church through which they gracefully trace their Apostolic lineage; and to make that approach through a prelate so worthy of their love and reverence.

Before proceeding to the office entrusted to them, they desire to state succinctly the present position of this portion of Christ's Church towards heathen China, and the circumstances which have led to it. It was in 1834, that the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America determined on the establishment of a Mission in China; and in the same year the first Missionary was appointed. From that time the enterprise has been cherished by the Church; and the present Missionary, the Rev. Dr. Boone, has been in that service since 1837.

At the period first named, the condition of China seemed to urge the consideration of this Church, put in trust with the Gospel of grace, in the strongest terms. Benevolent members of our communion desired to extend their alms, with their prayers, in her behalf; and one or more persons in holy orders were willing to be offered for that service. For several years the claims of China seemed to be at least as strong as those of any other portion of the heathen world; and to press on us as urgently as on any part of Christendom. Recently, in the course of God's providence, a different state of things has grown up. The relations between England and China have become intimate and interesting. It seems, at the present time, most natural to look to the portion of Christ's Church over which your Grace presides, for the extension of Christianity to China.

From the time of the new Missionary organization in 1835, when the present Board of Missions took the place of the old Society, as the agent of the Church, the conviction has been constantly gaining ground, and is now firmly established, that the Episcopate is essential to the integrity and efficiency of every Christian Mission

Under these circumstances, unwilling to draw back, let us rather say, anxious to press forward, in a charitable work, undertaken in the faith of Christ and for the glory of his Cross; desirous to go forward, too, in the way which he himself appointed, to make disciples of all nations, with the fulness of his apostolic ministry; and at the same time most deeply solicitous of the cordial co-operation of the Church of England, so long to us a nursing mother, and of the privilege to follow her in every good work, as an elder sister, loved and honored for the Father's sake, and for her own, the Board of Missions determined, before taking any further step, to invite the expression of her opinion and intentions in the premises. In pursuance of this determination, and under the resolutions above written, the undersigned respectfully solicit from your Grace, on behalf of the Board of Missions, at as early a date as may be convenient, such communication as may be deemed proper at this time, of the purposes and wishes of the Church of England in regard to China. The single desire of the Board of Missions is for such information as will enable the Churches to co-operate in this labor of love, if that be deemed practicable, without interference with each other.

The undersigned cannot conclude this communication without expressing to your Grace, with the desire that it may be communicated in the proper quarters, the assurance, on their own part, and on the part of their brethren, the Bishops of this Church, and of their whole communion of the cordial satisfaction and devout gratitude to God with

which they regard the noble enterprises of the Church of England, and of their fervent prayers that He will follow them with His abundant blessing and return them to her an hundred fold into her bosom.

Affectionately and respectfully your Grace's brethren and servants in Christ

G. W. DOANE, Bishop of New Jersey.
WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM, Bishop of Maryland.
ALFRED LEE, Bishop of Delaware.

To the Right Rev. the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

It seems proper to mention here that the Board of Missions holds its next Annual Meeting on the 19th day of June; and that its Triennial Meeting, (at the time of the General Convention,) will be held on the 2d day of October. I should also add, that as chairman of the Committee, I am authorized to transact any farther correspondence on their behalf until this latter date. G. W. D.

To the above this reply was received.

LAMBETH, Sept. 2d, 1844.

DEAR AND VENERABLE BROTHER:—I have to express my warmest thanks for a most interesting communication from the Committee appointed by the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, containing a copy of the Resolutions agreed on by the Board, in respect to the Missions in China, and expressing the desire of the Board for such information as may enable the Churches (in England and in the United States) to co-operate in that labor of love without interference with each other.

My acknowledgment of this communication has been thus long delayed in the hope of being able to give an account to the Board of Missions, if not of the commencement of active proceedings on our part, at least of our prospects and plans, in regard to this most important subject. This, however, is still out of my power. We are in daily expectation of letters from Mr. Stanton, the British chaplain at Hong Kong. He is probably waiting till he has had time to collect materials for forming an opinion as to the practicability of establishing a Mission in China, the place at which it should be stationed, and the mode of proceeding most likely to ensure its success.

Hence nothing has been done here, except in the Diocese of London, where a sum of about eight thousand pounds has been raised by a pastoral letter from the Bishop of London, and is now at his Lordship's disposal.

We have so many undertakings of the highest importance in progress, particularly in regard to the establishment of Bishoprics in our Colonies, —for which large subscriptions are still required—that we should hardly think it right to call upon the public for contributions towards a Mission to China at present, unless we could satisfy ourselves that there was a fair prospect of success. We are, nevertheless, on the watch for an opening, and shall not fail to avail ourselves of any opportunity which may present itself, in the hope of God's blessing on our humble exertions in His service, though possibly our operations in the beginning may not be on so extensive a scale as we would wish.

In the mean time, we shall look on the proceedings of your Board of Missions with the deepest interest. You will have our best wishes and earnest prayers: and I can venture to answer for our Bishops, as well as for the Societies in connection with our Church, that they will be happy to co-operate with the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, without other interference than such as may tend, if occasion offer, to promote the accomplishment of the great object to which our labors are alike directed.

With the assurance of sincere respect and affection, towards yourself and the Bishops of Maryland and Delaware, as well as the whole body of Bishops and Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,

I remain your faithful brother and friend,

W. CANTUAR.

To Right Rev. the Bishop of New Jersey.

Under these sufficient assurances, the action of the General Convention, in October, 1844, was had, which resulted in the appointment and consecration of the Rev. Dr. Boone, who had been seven years a Missionary in China, to be a Missionary Bishop, "to exercise Episcopal functions at Amoy, and other parts of the Chinese Empire, as the Board of Missions may hereafter designate." The Board of Missions, four days after his consecration, adopted the following Resolution: "*Resolved*, That, if found practicable and expedient, on his arrival in China, it be recommended to the Missionary Bishop, to make Shanghai the station for present operations." Bishop Boone, accordingly on his arrival in China, made Shanghai the seat of his operations. This was in 1845.

When, in 1849, the Island of Hong Kong, which is a territorial dependence of the British Crown, was made an Episcopal See, with the title of Victoria, and the Rev. Dr. Smith consecrated as its Bishop, the Board of Missions recommended its Foreign Committee "to communicate with Bishop Boone, concerning the relations which may be expected to exist between himself and the Bishop of Victoria." Shortly after the arrival of the Bishop of Victoria at his See, Bishop Boone, as advised by the Foreign Committee, at the instance of the Board of Missions, made to him certain suggestions, which have been heretofore submitted to your Grace, for the arrangement of their respective duties, as Bishops of two Sister Churches, laboring for Christ, in the same Missionary field. These suggestions the Bishop of Victoria declined. Four years later, in March, 1853, Bishop McIlvaine of Ohio, being in England, the Foreign Committee, acting for, and representing the Board of Missions, empowered and requested him to present to your Grace, and to the Bishops of the Church of England, the importance of securing, "in the present beginning of the work, both in China and in Africa," such an amicable and christian settlement of the mutual relations of the Ministry from the Church of England and from the Episcopal Church in the United States, as shall form a satisfactory basis for future operations; and allow no room for controversies to arise, either between these Ministers themselves, or any native representatives of them, who may, hereafter, severally succeed them;" and with the view of presenting "the two Churches," as "acting in unity, and unbroken

fellowship, in their great work of preaching the Gospel in foreign lands." In the exercise of this office, Bishop McIlvaine renewed to your Grace the proposition, which Bishop Boone had made to the Bishop of Victoria; and also submitted an alternative proposition, with a view to the same great end. Both these propositions were declined by your Grace.

It was on the report of this result of Bishop McIlvaine's negotiation with your Grace, made by the Board of Missions, to the General Convention, in October, 1853, that the House of Bishops appointed the undersigned a Committee, to open a correspondence with your Grace, with a view to some happy adjustment of what is regarded by the Foreign Committee, by the Board of Missions, by the House of Bishops, and by the General Convention, as an unfavorable condition of affairs at present, and ominous of danger for the future.

The undersigned, in entering on the duty thus committed to them, the importance of which they deeply feel, aim at nothing more, in this communication, than calling to it the attention of your Grace, for its renewed consideration. They venture to think that the correspondence, which they now lay before your Grace, which was had so long ago as 1844, when it is believed, there was not a single Missionary of the Church of England in China, and certainly no established Mission; and which does not seem to have been before your Grace, in connection with Bishop McIlvaine's negotiation, while it shows, on the part of this Church, the strict determination to act with utmost caution, as well as courtesy, in a movement so important—and, it might be found, so difficult—ensures, also, on the part of that, over which your Grace so happily presides, the fullest measure of reciprocity. In this conviction, the undersigned refrain from any new propositions, or from the renewal of either of the two which have been rejected. They deem it more courteous, and more respectful in them, to lay the question, in its simplicity, before your Grace, with the prevailing hope that your Grace's wisdom, aided by such counsel as may be called in, to the further consideration of this subject, and under the guidance of His blessing, who is the Author "of Peace," in all the Churches of the Saints, will make such overtures of arrangement and settlement, in the matter of the two Bishops in China, as may not only happily dispose of it, but serve as the precedent for all other cases in which, in the providence of God, the Mother and the Daughter—now, the Sister Churches—may have the happiness to be fellow-helpers together of the Gospel of our Gracious Lord.

The undersigned, in concluding this communication, desire to record the expression of their hearty thanks to Almighty God, for the signal blessings which he has poured out on the Church of England, both at home and abroad, during the period of your Grace's Primacy; and, with it, the assurance of their fervent prayers, that he may still continue and increase them, that, so, its peace may be as a river, and its glory, as a sea, that floweth.

(Signed,) G. W. DOANE, Bishop of New Jersey.
A. LEE, Bishop of Delaware.
H. J. WHITEHOUSE, Bishop of Illinois.

RIVERSIDE, 9th Aug., 1856.

DEAR AND VENERABLE BROTHER:—More than a year ago, a letter signed by the Bishops of Delaware and Illinois, with myself, (a copy of which is enclosed,) was forwarded to you at Lambeth. No acknowledgment of it has reached us. The General Convention is to meet in Philadelphia, on the first day of October next. We shall be expected to report. I ask the favor of such early attention to the important subject presented to the notice of your Grace, as will enable us to do so. I sincerely hope that the answer may be such, as with God's blessing, may insure a favorable issue. I am, faithfully and affectionately, your brother in Christ. G. W. DOANE.

My address is Burlington, New Jersey.

A copy of the above was sent by the Arabia, from Boston, 13th August. She struck, on entering Halifax, and was injured; lest she might arrive out of time, a copy was forwarded by the Asia, from New York, 20th August. G. W. D.

Archbishop of Canterbury's letter, dated Sep. 15th, 1856.

LAMBETH, Sept. 15, 1856.

REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER:—Before I proceed to the main question to which your favor of June 26th refers, I must offer a sincere apology for the long delay which has occurred since your communication of June, 1855. This must be ascribed, in part at least, to the absence in our English Church of any such General Board of Missions as you have happily established in America; and in part, to the necessity of conferring with the Bishop of Victoria, whose return to this country did not take place before the middle of this present summer.

It would be the occasion of much regret, and would tend seriously to impair the effect of Missionary exertions, if any difference really had arisen between the Bishops of the two Churches in the exercise of their respective functions. I am thankful to say that no such injurious rivalry has existed. Each country has its own Laity and its own Clergy; and nothing seems more natural than that each Bishop should be the overseer of his own countrymen, and of the Churches in which they severally assemble. Closely united, as happily our two Churches are in doctrine and fellowship, there would still seem some incongruity in placing the members of one Church under the jurisdiction of another.

I am the more willing to consider the matter in this light, on account of the difficulty, not to say the impracticability, of effecting any change in the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Victoria. His sphere is prescribed by an Order of Council, which has the force of law; and which directs that "all persons in Holy Orders of the United Church of England and Ireland, being within the dominions of the Emperor of China, shall be subject to the authority and jurisdiction of the See of Victoria and to the Bishop thereof." The Letters Patent, by which he is appointed, especially instance "Canton, Amoy, Foochanpo, Ninjpo, and Shanghai," as requiring spiritual superintendence. Any alteration, therefore, in the Bishop of Victoria's jurisdiction could only be made by the authority of the State; any attempt to effect such alteration would be of doubtful success; and the inconvenience attending the attempt would be far greater than any which has hitherto occurred, or than is, I trust, ever likely to occur, from the co-existence of two Bishops of separate Churches

in China. For I am enabled to add the testimony of the Bishop of Victoria, that in the past relations between himself and his friend Bishop Boone, nothing has arisen to render the inconvenience other than theoretical; and that he anticipates no practical difficulty for the future from the continuance of matters in the same state as has hitherto prevailed.

I earnestly hope that this explanation of our views in England, together with our communications on the same subject, three years ago, may be received favorably by the Board of Missions. It is a gratifying reflection that the two great countries are united in such a cause; and the blessing which has attended the American Missions in many parts of the world, is a subject of general thankfulness. If it be true that if one member *suffers*, others suffer with it, so is it also true that other brethren *rejoice* in the rejoicing of their brother.

I remain, dear and Reverend Sir,

Your very faithful brother and friend,

J. B. CANTUAR.

To the Right Reverend GEORGE DOANE, Bishop of New Jersey.

Appendix K.—2.

PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE MEMORIAL.

The Commissioners to whom was referred the Memorial of Rev. Dr. Muhlenburg and others, desirous of bringing to the attention of the House of Bishops, at the earliest moment, some of the most important results of their labors, have instructed their Chairman, before presenting the full report of the commission, to lay before the House the following preamble and resolutions, which they unanimously recommend for adoption, viz.:—

WHEREAS, the order of worship as prescribed by the Book of Common Prayer, or as settled by usage, has been framed with a special reference to established Parish Churches, and to a population already incorporated with the Church;

And, WHEREAS our actual work is, or should be, among many not yet connected with our Congregations, or where there are no established Parishes, or where said Parishes are yet in their infancy.

And WHEREAS there are or may be in different Dioceses peculiar emergencies arising out of the character and condition of certain portions of the population which demand some special services;

And WHEREAS it is desirable that the use of the Book of Common Prayer, as the vehicle of the Church's devotions, should be such as to cultivate an enlightened love for the Liturgy, and enable the Clergy and people to make their labors for Christ most effective, therefore,

Resolved, as the sense of the House of Bishops,

1st. That Ministers may at their discretion use separately the office for Morning Prayer, and that where a third service is to be held, the Litany or the Ante-Communion Office, or both, may be used in the afternoon, the order for Evening Prayer being reserved for said third service.

2d. That the order for the Holy Communion, in its entireness, may, with a sermon, be used separately: provided, nevertheless, that on the

greater Festivals, it should in their judgment be preceded by the office of Morning or Evening Prayer.

3d. That on occasions or services other than regular Morning and Evening Prayer in established Congregations, Ministers may, at their discretion, use such parts of the Book of Common Prayer and such Lessons, as shall in their judgment tend most to edification.

4th. That the Bishops of the several Dioceses may provide such special services, as in their judgment shall be required by the peculiar spiritual necessities of any class or portion of the population within said Dioceses.

5th. That to indicate the desire of this Church to promote union among Christians, and as an organ of communication with different Christian bodies or individuals, who may desire information or conference on the subject, it is expedient that five Bishops be appointed by ballot at each General Convention, as commissioners for the foregoing purpose to be entitled the Commission on Church Unity.

JAS. H. OTEY, *Chairman.*

Philadelphia, October 2, 1856.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON MEMORIAL OF REV. DR. MUHLENBURG AND OTHERS.

The Commission of Bishops appointed by this House at the Meeting of the General Convention, in October, 1853, to take into consideration the memorial of the Rev. Wm. A. Muhlenburg, D. D., and sundry other Presbyters, a copy of which is hereunto appended and the resolution of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, offered in the House of Bishops, on the 6th day of October, 1853, and referred on the 25th of the same month, a copy of which is also hereunto appended; having carefully considered the said memorial and resolution, beg leave to submit the following report.

The subjects referred to the Commission, present matters of the gravest and most interesting character, requiring patient examination and the most calm and dispassionate deliberation. So fully impressed were the members of the Commission, with the importance and difficulty of the duty assigned to them, that on first assembling on the 29th day of June, 1854, in St. Peter's Church, New York, it was unanimously resolved that our meetings should be opened with prayer, and the Divine wisdom and blessing invoked to guide us in our work. Every member was present at this meeting, and we trust we had an earnest of the Divine favor, in the hearty zeal with which all then entered upon the labor which had been laid upon us. We all never met together again. It pleased God in his wise and inscrutable providence to call from his earthly labors one of our members, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Wainwright, not very long after the adjournment of our first meeting, and the commissioners were thus deprived of his very valuable counsel and zealous aid in their subsequent deliberations.

The Commission appointed the Rev. Professor Johnson of the General Theological Seminary their Secretary. Having been compelled in the spring of 1855 to resign, he was replaced by Rev. Daniel Kendig of Pennsylvania.

Sensible of the delicacy of their work, as well as of the intrinsic difficulties connected with the prosecution of it to any successful result, the Commissioners determined in the first place, to avail themselves, as far

as opportunity permitted, of the counsel and advice of wise and good men in our own and other lands. Information and suggestions were sought not only from the members of our own communion, but likewise from those of reputation for piety and learning among other denominations of Christians.

With a view to these purposes a series of questions was prepared, and through the Bishops of our Church and other agencies, these questions together with printed copies of the Memorial were widely distributed at home and abroad, and answers to them solicited. In this way it was believed, that we should ascertain the views of the Church at large upon the subjects submitted to consideration, gain valuable suggestions from the wise, learned, and sober-minded of our own and other households of faith, be certified as to the real *animus* of the Church in reference to any proposed alterations, or contemplated modification, in our order of worship and discipline; and thus be prepared to submit to the General Convention such information as would enable it to act wisely and understandingly upon the whole subject. It was also hoped that plans might be suggested that would tend to mollify the asperities of religious differences and heal some of the unhappy divisions which have long marred the fair form of Christianity in our world.

The reasonable expectations of the Commission in reference to the readiness of our brethren to meet the calls made upon them, have not been disappointed. Upon all the subjects embraced in the Memorial, and presented in a more definite and detailed shape, by the series of questions addressed to Clergymen and Laymen, we have been favored with numerous learned and well digested communications, manifesting a profound interest in the work committed to us. At the same time the various topics which have been mentioned, either by the Memorialists or the Commission, have given rise to animated and earnest discussions in our religious journals, or have been made to assume a more permanent character in the form of pamphlets, claiming public attention. In this way, and by these means, ample opportunities have been given to all parties—those who favor as well as those who oppose the movements of the Memorialists—to make themselves heard, and, as far as such instrumentalities can avail, to guard the Church against hasty or indeliberate legislation. In all these communications, it is gratifying to find the expression of a warm attachment to our order of worship.

Communications have also been received by members of the Commission from distinguished Divines of other Protestant bodies. These have been marked in some instances by eminent ability, and in all cases by a generous interest in the subject under consideration, and a desire to see the Protestant Episcopal Church made under God an instrument of wider usefulness in evangelizing the neglected population of our own country, and in healing the strifes and divisions that afflict and dishonor Christendom.

It should not be passed here without notice and remark, that almost simultaneously and certainly without any previous understanding or concert, a work similar to that committed to us, and having precisely the same aims and objects in view, was moved in our Mother Church of England. Can it be presumptuous to hope and trust that the same Lord, who is over all, and rich in the bestowal of his gifts of wisdom and grace on all who call upon Him faithfully, had put it into the hearts of his people on both sides of the Atlantic at the same time, to devise and

attempt a work having so high and holy purposes in view, as the edification and union of all Christian people, the enlargement of His Church, and the more rapid spread of His gospel over all the world. At the second meeting of the Commissioners in 1854, their chairman was directed to open a correspondence with the Lord Bishop of Llandaff, chairman of the committee appointed to take charge of this work, collect information, and make report to Convocation. This was accordingly done, and a fraternal answer returned by his Lordship, giving assurance of the lively interest felt on the subject in England, and at the same time transmitting to us valuable documents, setting forth in detail what had been proposed in committee, and the action had thereon in Convocation.

The facts briefly adverted to, and many others not necessary to mention, have deeply impressed the Commission with a sense of the importance attached to the work which they have in charge. The spontaneousness of the movement, and the miscellaneous character of those who have manifested a lively concern in its progress cannot be easily overlooked. Men as widely remote from each other in their respective spheres of labor, as they are variant in their religious preferences have alike given evidence of a conviction that the Church needed an enlargement of her means of usefulness. Laymen as well as Clergymen, as different in their views of ecclesiastical polity, as in their natural temperaments, have communicated their opinions and given expression to their hopes and fears respecting our venerable forms of worship, around which so many hallowed and endearing associations cling. Dioceses, by their Conventions, have taken the subject proposed for our consideration into serious deliberation, and have deemed an exposition of their views, with which they have in several instances favored us, to be called for by the gravity of the interests involved in the issue. Such has been the course of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Kentucky, Louisiana, Florida, Tennessee, Illinois, and perhaps others.

These things at least attest that there is vitality in the Church. They show that her members are alive to the importance not only of preserving her means of usefulness, but if possible of rendering those means more effective. This feeling originates in no pressure from without—in no demands from a powerful body of non-conformists—in no mandates from an imperious State authority, but simply in the awakened zeal of our own people. It presents the spectacle of a Church penetrated with an increasing sense of its responsibility to God and the world. And since such a consciousness of Christian obligation springs from no human source, we may humbly hope that the Holy Ghost who puts it into our hearts to inquire earnestly "Lord! what wilt thou have us to do?" may guide us in our counsels, and enable us to mature measures which shall not be without good fruit, long after those who have devised and proposed them shall be numbered with the dead.

In considering the means and measures necessary for giving increased efficiency to the Church as the Divinely appointed instrument for reforming and saving mankind, we must never forget, that no organization will be of avail without an animating, internal principle imparting health, vigor and activity to the entire system, controlling and directing all its movements: while on the other hand, an imperfect, or even a defective organization invigorated by an active spiritual life, will exhibit energies and accomplish results in the moral transformation of human nature as marvellous as they are glorious. Still, as life is effectual to the accom-

plishment of useful ends, in proportion to the perfection of the organs through which it acts—as structure and adaptation are conditions of the greatest efficiency, so it behoves us as "co-workers with God," in the recovery of this world from the dominion of sin and the Devil, not only to use the appointed weapons of our warfare, but to use them in the way best adapted to ensure success. Our weapons may not be carnal, still they will not be found "mighty to the pulling down of strongholds," unless they be adapted to the objects to be effected. Wisdom and skill, combined with use and experience, are necessary to the successful employment of the most perfect instruments.

Our Liturgical services, be it remembered, were framed with a special view to the wants of a worshipping people. They were provided with a direct reference to organized parish Churches. They were intended to furnish two or more daily services to a population already won to the Church. But our actual mission is to many, in truth, to a large majority not yet conciliated to the Church. and for the most part strangers to her forms of worship. We have to seek those who have not been gathered into organized Parishes—who do not recognize in us any claim to spiritual oversight over them. We have to labor in places where very much of our work is outside of that contemplated in the plans of our offices, and in the prevalent methods of our preaching.

The Church was originally composed of converts gathered, by the labors of the Apostles, from the ranks of Judaism and Paganism. We have to deal with men who are generally not ignorant of our doctrine, but who are hardly more conversant with the system of worship to which we wish to conciliate them, than were the Jews and Gentiles, in the days of the Apostles, with the religion of our Saviour.

In seeking to modify or adapt our forms of worship to the actual wants and condition of a very large portion of our population, we do but act upon a principle distinctly recognized in our own and our Mother Church. In the preface to the Book of Common Prayer it is declared "that in every Church, whatever cannot be clearly determined to belong to doctrine may be referred to discipline; and therefore by common consent and authority may be altered, abridged, enlarged, amended, or otherwise disposed of, as may seem most convenient for the edification of the people, according to the various exigencies of times and occasions." It is also affirmed in the same preface, that the Church of England having made various reviews and changes—her aim hath been "to do that which according to her best understanding, might most tend to the preservation of peace and unity in the Church; the procuring of reverence, and the exciting of piety and devotion in the worship of God; and finally the cutting off occasion from them that seek occasion of cavil or quarrel against her Liturgy."

In no country in the world, perhaps, will there be found united under the same form of government, so great a variety of people and so much diversity in intellectual, moral, social, and religious character as in this land. Immigration annually brings in its vast contribution to the elements of division in the religious sentiment and practice of our countrymen. There are found here men of all grades of intellectual development, from the most improved condition of mind, enlarged and elevated by the best advantages of education, to the grossest and most stupid ignorance growing out of poverty, and absolute neglect. There are seen all complexions of social character diversified by the physical and

moral differences which exist among the people of the old world, and which fix a lasting, if not an indelible impression upon the habits of human thought and action. In the population of the same State and not unfrequently in the same Town, will be found all these varieties in national origin, in social, intellectual and religious character, at which we have barely glanced, and which present most serious obstacles, as painful experience most clearly proves, to the exercise of any wholesome and abiding influence on the part of the Gospel Ministry. Out of this anomalous condition of things arises the necessity of that diversity in our modes of operation which has not been, heretofore, sufficiently appreciated, and the need of that versatility of talents in the ministry, which in our case is more or less indispensable, and which is always found to be eminently useful.

It is not the purpose of this report to supply a treatise on the gifts of the ministry or to direct specifically how they may be most usefully employed. This is not the time, nor does it fall within our province to enter upon such a discussion. We can do no more, at present, than indicate, from an extended field of observation, and from the earnest representations made from every part of the Church, what seems to be most needed in order to the more vigorous prosecution of the great work with which we, in common with others, feel ourselves charged. That work looks almost exclusively to the inculcation of religious truth as the basis of a healthy moral sentiment securing national and individual prosperity, and as the foundation of that faith in God which leads to holiness of life, and the hope of salvation.

The sentiment of the Church is every where the same and emphatic in its expression as to the necessity of more force and directness in our preaching, and more special adaptation to the varying circumstances of the Congregations which we are called to address. The habits of our people moulded in a considerable degree by the nature of our civil and social institutions, and the constitution of the human mind, which impels us in most cases to prefer fervour to coldness, and that which is simple to that which is abstruse, are considerations which plainly indicate that our methods of dealing with men should be more direct and more manifold. They explain the reasons for that partiality with which extempore preaching is regarded—the superior influence which ministers accustomed so to preach possess in gathering together large congregations, and they account, in good part at least for the numerical superiority of most denominations of Christians over the Protestant Episcopal Church in almost all the states, towns and cities in the Union.

An examination into the relative increase of the various bodies of Christians in the United States within the last thirty years will exhibit some startling facts, which may well rouse us to serious consideration, and lead us to ask ourselves the questions, "what have we been doing? and what shall we do?" We have been in the habit of looking merely at the increase of our ministers and members within given periods, as the proper exponent of our growth without considering how that increase compares with the rate of increase in the population at large. Making our estimate in this way, and it is the only accurate method to ascertain the ratio of our growth or increase as a Church, it will be found that we are by no means keeping pace with the population of the country in the provision we make for their religious instruction—to say

nothing of our duty to heathen and foreign lands—that we are consequently falling very far below the measure of our responsibility, and that our growth in the last half century, which has been dwelt upon with complacency if not with a spirit of vain glory, furnishes matter of deep humiliation and shame, rather than of boasting.

It is submitted to the serious and candid consideration of this House, whether with all the lights of past observation and experience before us, it be not wise to recommend to our ministers as an important means of enhancing their usefulness and efficiency, the cultivation of a habit of extemporaneous address and of expository preaching, at least during one portion of the Lord's Day. It is not designed to favor the idea of cultivating a habit of declamation or fervid exhortation at the expense of persevering and severe study. It is humbly conceived that previous and careful preparation is entirely consistent with the practice of extempore preaching, as here contemplated. With brief notes or heads of discourse, suggestive of topics and the preservation of a lucid arrangement, the fruits of much laborious research and reflection may be made available with their utmost effect. We see no reason why a minister should not in this way, present to the consideration of his congregation, the high and concerning truths of the gospel and enforce them by its awful sanctions as effectively, as persuasively, and as convincingly as a lawyer states and argues his case from his brief, at the bar. The plan suggested would have this further advantage. It would enable the preacher to avail himself of all suitable opportunities for proclaiming "the truth as it is in Jesus," which the diversities of time, place and circumstance might present. He need not always wait till a congregation can be gathered in some fixed place of worship furnished with the conveniences of lectern and pulpit, but after apostolic example, let him preach, if it be expedient, in an upper chamber, or in the market place, by the sea shore, or in the courts of the prison, by night or day, in storm and tempest, or in the sunshine of bright and cloudless skies. Every where, in season and out of season, he is to exercise his vocation, as need may require, and like a beacon on the stormy ocean of life, point the voyager to the way of safety and the haven of rest. He need not be bound by any rules or restrictions which custom may have established as to the length of his discourses. This should vary with emergencies, and especially with the state of those who hear. His quick and discerning glance will easily detect any restlessness or listlessness on the part of his hearers and furnish him the best chronometer to graduate his sermons. Thus too he will be enabled to suit his subject to the character of his congregation; and bringing out of his treasures—the accumulated stores of reading and study—of observation and reflection—things both new and old; he may use a written discourse or speak from notes, he may furnish food for the thoughtful mind, by unfolding some great doctrine of Christianity, or by animating exhortation rouse the desponding to renewed exertion for the prize of eternal life; he may enforce the high and commanding morality of the Gospel, or he may attract, edify and charm, by portraying the example of Christ doing good to the souls and bodies of men and may exhort them to its imitation. In a word, the vast range of the Gospel takes in all the interests of man as a rational and accountable creature, it comprehends all his relations to God and his fellow men, it embraces all his hopes for time and eternity, and from them all, the preacher may choose his theme,

and—from the boundless field of nature, in the rich exuberance of her productions—the endless variety of objects which garnish the heavens above, or beautify the earth beneath, or replenish the waters under the earth—he may draw from them all, illustrations to enforce and adorn his subject.

These remarks point to the expediency, not to say necessity, of a corresponding variety, to some extent, in our Liturgical services. It is the general voice of our Communion, that in adjusting the length of our public services, more regard should be had to the physical ability of both minister and people; and this is especially important in those parts of our country where the heats of summer are long continued and debilitating, rendering mental exertion burdensome, and even perilous to health. More attention also seems to be demanded to the degree of Liturgical culture among the people, and a more economical use of our Clerical force. By the arrangements which the Commission would recommend, it is believed that in most of our established congregations, three services may be had on Sunday, and several during the week, without over-burdening the strength and ability of the Minister.

We read that, in the primitive Church, "gifts" were bestowed by our blessed Lord upon his members, "differing according to the measure of grace given unto them." These gifts were intended to supply every thing that was needful for carrying on the work our Lord had appointed to his Church. However they manifested their influence by "diversities of operations and differences of administrations" in the work of Apostles, or Prophets, or Evangelists, or Pastors, or Teachers, they were all given "for the perfecting of the Saints, for the work of the Ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." But that such varieties of gifts were bestowed "for the edifying of the Church," seems in a great measure to be overlooked or forgotten. It would appear that all Ministers are now expected to be Priests, whether they have "the gift of ministering" or not: all to be Rectors of Parishes, whether they have the gift of ruling or not: all to be Teachers, whether they show aptitude for instruction or not: and very many ("who name the name of Christ,") seem to have reached the conclusion that there is no such gift as that mentioned by the Apostle, when he enjoins it as a duty to give "with simplicity." The consequences of this ignorance or forgetfulness have been exhibited in the history of the Church, even within the memory of some now living, with startling effect, and melancholy frequency. Ministers are found who yet do not minister: Rectors who cannot govern: Pastors who do not feed the flock; Teachers send forth theological essays for the instruction of the Church, who might find better employment in studying the Bible and Catechism: while the necessary means for maintaining religious services, too often have to be wrung from those who appear reluctant to recognize it as a Christian obligation to give of their ability, as God has prospered them, with liberality, with cheerfulness, and with simplicity. On every side the complaint is heard, that the work of the Church languishes, or is not done. That we have refused or neglected to use many gifts which Christ has bestowed on his Church, is apparent from our not providing employment for those members of the body which are fitted for special duties. We see, for example, persons who have a fondness or peculiar aptitude for searching out the poor and helpless. No cellars are too low and dark, no garrets too high and comfortless, to deter them in their efforts to find and relieve the hunger-bit-

n children of poverty. Vice and filth do not offend them, but excite eir compassion and their tears. Degradation and infamy do not repel em, but inspire their charity, and give fervency to their prayers.

There are those, on the other hand, who have no inclination to engage this humble and merciful work, or whose qualities of mind and body fit them for such employments. They may not have the tact, wisdom, resources necessary to guide them in the selection of means adequate ensure success to such schemes of benevolence. Still they wish to do od, and the Minister of a Parish, if he be prudent and judicious, will d them employment. Some of them may be used in reading Prayers d the Holy Scriptures to the people, whose situation or opportunities o not allow them to attend the regular and stated services of the sanary. In the almost infinite variety of conditions in which our popula-on is now found there can be no lack of opportunity for the employ-ent of every talent which the Church can command.

Again there are men whose temperaments incline them to be con-antly moving from place to place. Connected with this constitutional eculiarity, there is generally a frankness and cordiality of manner hich render such persons favorites wherever they go. They may not ossess any great breadth or variety of learning; nor any great powers f thought; but they have a faculty of correct and close observation, a nowledge of men as individuals and in masses, and perhaps extraordi-ary skill and tact in controlling them.

Again we see men who have that peculiar power or gift which is neces-ry for organizing and ruling bodies of men; who seem by intuition to now just when this quality is to be stimulated and that to be laid un-r restraint—when this particular trait can be neutralized by the de-lopment of another: when it is proper to rebuke one and when to courage another. They have a ready perception of the thought that ll touch the common sense of mankind and harmonize the mass. It impossible to describe all the qualities which go to make up the aracter of such men: we perceive them when we say that such men re born to be rulers.

In this class will be found those best calculated of all, perhaps, in the urch to fill the office of Evangelists. Men, whose chief, if not their le employment, it shall be to preach the Gospel in remote and morally stitute parts of the country, or in the neglected districts of our large ties, where the Pastors of established Congregations never come and e Preachers at Missionary Stations but rarely. Men who shall be der the special direction of the Bishop of the Diocese, laboring where shall appoint, distributing books and tracts where opportunity shall rve, and reporting to the Bishop as often as he shall require.

Such a corps of active laborers seems almost indispensable to the mplete organization of the Church according to the primitive model d unquestionably necessary to its extension in our land. It may be pposed and the idea has been sometimes advanced that the Bishops n and ought to do all the work contemplated by the creation of this ass of preachers. With Dioceses of the present extent it is, in most ses, simply impossible. Many of our Bishops spend much the greater rtion of their time in travelling and preaching. Almost the only crease made to the Church in many parts of the country is attributa-e to the labors of the Episcopate. But observation and experience

have demonstrated that the utmost exertions of the Bishops cannot meet the growing demands of our population.

And here we are constrained to call attention to the wasted energy and unemployed power of the women of the Church. The Sisters of Charity in the Romish communion are worth, perhaps, more to their cause than the combined wealth of their Hierarchy—the learning of their priesthood—and the self-sacrificing zeal of their Missionaries. The providential government of the world leaves every where a large number of unmarried and unemployed females, and thus appears to point the Church to a wise appropriation of their peculiar talents or gifts, in the cause of Christ and of humanity. The associated charity and benevolence of Christian Sisterhoods which we have in mind, is the very opposite of the hermitage and the nunnery. Instead of a criminal and cowardly withdrawal from the world and the duties which the wants and distresses of humanity may claim, it is the voluntary consecration to Christ of all the powers of body and soul in the active performance of the most tender, the most endearing, and yet the most neglected offices of charity. Many have seen and many lament our loss in this respect: but individual zeal and effort can effect but little in the way of providing a remedy. The constituted authorities of the Church must take hold of the subject—deal with it without reserve—combine effort in the cause, and give direction to it without the fear of man.

With such instrumentalities as are now in use, the Commission is constrained to report further, that in their judgment the debt of the Ministry and members of the Church to the young is not sufficiently felt and adequately discharged. In families acknowledging the obligations of a Christian profession there is too little positive and regular religious instruction and too little of pious, paternal training or discipline. By Pastors there is want of attention to catechising—to the Sunday School—and to such preaching and services as are best calculated to reach, impress, and influence those who have arrived at the period of juvenescence.

It is also very certain that the full effect of our ministrations cannot be obtained and the reasonable expectations of the Church at large be met and fulfilled in this behalf, until our Candidates for Orders and our Ministers be trained to more robust, intellectual habits by a more thorough and severe mental discipline: and to this very necessary preparation must be added a clear apprehension of the moral wants of the times, and the precise intellectual wants of the people. Next to this, and hardly of less importance, there is need of more practical common sense, in dealing with men upon the subject of religion, and recommending it to their attention. In this country almost every man and woman feel competent to discuss questions of theology and give instruction on the doctrines of the Gospel. These pretentions have to be met by the Ministry, and to be met in a spirit of meekness and of deep compassion for the erring and deceived. Hence we have found in very many of the communications made to us by Clergymen and Laymen, the opinion or rather the conviction very earnestly expressed, that in preparing candidates for the work of the Ministry, more attention should be paid to practical training for its duties—that there should be also more cultivation of the powers of thought, and taste for investigation—more rhetorical culture—more rigid and searching examinations and better established habits of systematic study after ordination.

But among the many wants of the Church in order to her energetic and effective influence—that fulness and completeness which we desire for her—few perhaps are more obvious, and none more generally deplored, than the want of an impressive and devotional manner of reading the Liturgy. This is a great and crying evil, and to its existence is to be attributed, no doubt, much of the complaint which is urged against the length and formality of our services. The evil is the more inexcusable and intolerable, for the simple reason that it might be remedied, in a vast majority of cases, by due care and persevering efforts on the part of those whose bounden duty it is, and pleasure it ought to be, to qualify themselves for the becoming and decent performance of this, the most sacred part of their holy functions. He who leads the devotions of a congregation, in their approaches to the mercy-seat, with the offerings of praise and prayer to the Divine Majesty, can make no acceptable apology to his people, and no excuse to his own conscience, for carelessness and irreverence. An experienced Clergyman, in a communication to the Commission, complains of this evil as very prevalent, and proposes the following remedy:

"Let all candidates be taught to read English. The only certain method of correcting vicious modes of reading is, to employ the services of some one who can give to the student an *accurate rehearsal* of his own performances. After many repetitions of this discipline, the young man will begin to detect the similar vice in his own tones, and then only will it be possible for him to correct it."

In this connection we cannot but allude to important duty devolving on the members of our congregations, to take their part earnestly and effectively in our public services. Were this done in the responses, in the chants, in the metrical Psalmody—done in the way in which the Church, in her wisdom, has prescribed, and with a hearty observance of her decent rules and usages—much of the complaint now made, of the wearisome length of the services, would be hushed. What is not done as it should be is usually wearisome. It is a duty imperative on the clergy, to see to it that any failure in this important matter shall not be justly chargeable to the want of proper instruction and urgency on their part.

The Commission is of opinion that every Minister having Parochial charge, should be diligent in the use of means for interesting and retaining under wholesome religious influences boys and young men.

1st. By giving them employment in the Church and the Sunday School.

2d. By frequently meeting with them and manifesting interest in their welfare.

3d. By directing their choice in reading—recommending proper books, &c.

4th. By cultivating among them a love for Sacred music.

It is deemed of vital importance that the Ministry should with every class, but particularly with the young, insist earnestly upon their responsibility as stewards of the grace of the Gospel—employing them as helpers to the Ministry, not only in the Sunday School and Bible Classes, but when found apt and prudent, in district visiting—in Lay-reading and Catechising in destitute places, on the principle that they are bound to labor, as well as to give of their substance for the promotion and increase of true religion—that they cannot be faithful to God, unless they

improve the talents committed to them, and, that they must begin this work when young, if they would be efficient in manhood, and happy when old.

And here we are reminded of one of the most mournful of our deficiencies, and which ought to move us all to deep humiliation and earnest prayer. We refer to the small number of our Clergy compared with our existing wants, and the inadequate provision made for their support. Few are found pressing towards that which ought to be regarded as the happiest, the most useful and the most honorable of human pursuits; and of those who engage in it, few receive more than a meagre recompense for their services. Does not this indicate on the part of young men, a sad want of zeal and devotion in the cause of Christ, and on their part also, who as parents, Pastors and friends ought to move the young to aspire to this holy office? And, does it not show on the part of Christians whom God has made the stewards of his bounty, a deplorable insensibility to their duty and their privilege, when they suffer Ministers and Missionaries to languish in want, while they pay without stint for the services of men of all other professions and occupations in life? For this sore evil, it becomes us to seek earnestly a proper remedy. A more abundant measure of God's grace is doubtless the first and most important requisite, and for this the Church should call upon her children to pray importunately and continually. But it cannot be denied that were more careful and general consideration given to the subject, means would be devised to elicit much more ample gifts from the Laity, and to draw to the ranks of the Clergy many an earnest spirit now destined to other callings. Almsgiving and other acts of Christian beneficence require to be cultivated as habits; and no Pastor should be satisfied unless his methods of proceeding are sufficiently varied and steady to enlist the interest and engage the active and continued co-operation of all his people. Most congregations need on this subject, it is feared, more instruction than they receive, and this instruction needs to be followed by more active superintendence from the Clergymen, and more extended sympathy and aid from individuals of the congregation.

The Commission have also taken counsel with each other, and earnestly sought to devise some plan which might contribute to heal the divisions which so unhappily distract the Christian world. We cannot but rejoice in the interest which the members of our own household of faith, have manifested in common with all good men of other denominations of Christians upon this subject; and we doubt not that all will rejoice, if measures can be taken to restore the unity of the Church, and promote by God's blessing, an increase of charity among all "who name the name of Christ." We must all, however, be well aware that the first step towards this happy and greatly desired result must be sought in unity of spirit, rather than unity of doctrine and discipline; and therefore mutual allowances, and a large toleration are indispensable requisites for which we should fervently and devoutly pray. The action which the Commission recommends upon this subject will be stated in the form of a Resolution, and of a Prayer at the conclusion of this Report.

We cannot but earnestly and affectionately recommend to our brethren and friends every where, in view of the momentous interests involved

in the final disposition of this question, to strive to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

1st. By doing justice to the merits of other systems as readily as they expose their demerits.

2dly. By repressing a spirit of self-complacency and self-laudation.

3dly. By infusing into our worship, preaching, and general policy more of the ancient and historical element on one side, and of the popular and practical on the other.

4thly. By a more cordial manner towards Ministers of other religious bodies who are inquiring into the claims of our communion.

5thly. By considering whether we cannot safely lessen Canonical impediments in the way of Ministers, Licentiates, and others desirous of our Orders, with sufficient guarantees for soundness in doctrine, discipline, and worship.

6thly. By fruitfulness in all good works. If our Ministers were more fervid, self-denying, and laborious; our people more charitable, exemplary, and devout—if, in a word, we were all that we ought to be, and might be from the alleged superiority of our gifts and privileges, the attraction to the Church would be universal and irresistible.

In conclusion, the Commission place before the House the positive results which they have reached. In a large proportion—indeed, it may be said that (with a few exceptions), in all of the communications made to us by members of our Church, the opinion has been expressed that the Morning service might sometimes be shortened with advantage, and that greater variety ought to obtain in services which are beside the regular offices of Morning and Evening Prayer in established congregations. These are ends to which the efforts of many in the Anglican Church are now anxiously directed. Earnest expression has also been given to the wish in many quarters, that the calendar of lessons should be revised, that additional hymns, anthems, and canticles should be provided, with other emendations, which would affect no doctrine of the Church and might materially aid in the edification of her people. It has been the purpose of the Commission, however, so far as their present labors go, to leave the Prayer Book untouched: they have also doubted how far the consideration of such proposed alterations would fall within the duty assigned to them; and at all events, they felt that if any alterations of the Prayer Book were proposed, the House of Deputies would be entitled to take part in the preliminary discussions connected with them, and that much more time ought to be devoted to the work than they have been able to command. They have concluded, therefore, to commend this subject to the General Convention, to be disposed of as in its wisdom it may judge to be most expedient. They have many valuable papers embodying the results of much labor and learning and of a very extended experience, which will be at the service of a committee should the Convention decide to appoint one.

After much reflection, the Commission have come to the unanimous conclusion that some of the most material of the improvements, which are loudly called for and which commend themselves to our own judgment, might be attained without legislation. There is nothing in the Rubrics or Canons which requires that, when the Holy Communion is administered it should be preceded immediately or otherwise by the office for Daily Prayer. The practice rests merely on usage, and there are occasions, when for want of physicial ability on the part of the

Minister or from the very large number of persons communicating, or for other reasons, it would be right that the liberty which the laws do not withhold of omitting the Daily Prayer should be exercised. To secure this, nothing more would be needed it is thought, than a declarative resolution of this House. The same discretion seems allowable in respect to the time of using the Litany and the Ante-Communion Office. Canon XLVII., of 1832, already provides for special services to be set forth by Bishops in their own Dioceses, and the Commission have concluded that by exercising the power thus given, provision could be made for those local necessities which result from peculiarities in the character of the population, or in the circumstances under which the Church is to be extended.

They therefore recommend unanimously, that the following *Preamble* and *Resolutions* be adopted by the House of Bishops.

WHEREAS, the order of worship as prescribed by the Book of Common Prayer, or as settled by usage, has been framed with special reference to established Parish Churches and to a population already incorporated with the Church; and

WHEREAS, our actual work is or should be among many not yet connected with our congregations, or where there are no established parishes, or where said parishes, are yet in their infancy: and

WHEREAS, there are or may be in different dioceses, peculiar emergencies arising out of the character or condition of certain portions of the population, which demand some special services. And

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the use of the Book of Common Prayer as the vehicle of the Church's devotions, should be such as to cultivate an enlightened love for the Liturgy, and enable the Clergy and people to make their labors for Christ most effective, therefore,

Resolved, as the sense of the House of Bishops,

I. That Ministers may at their discretion, use separately the office for Morning Prayer, and that where a third service is to be held, the Litany, or the Ante-Communion office or both may be used in the afternoon: the order for Evening Prayer being reserved for said third service.

II. That the order for the Holy Communion, in its entireness, may, with a sermon, be used separately, provided, nevertheless, that on the greater Festivals it should in their judgment be preceded by the office of Morning or Evening Prayer.

III. That on occasions or services other than regular Morning and Evening Prayer, in established congregations, Ministers may at their discretion use such parts of the Book of Common Prayer and such Lessons as shall in their judgment tend most to edification.

IV. That the Bishops of the several Dioceses may provide such special services as in their judgment shall be required by the peculiar spiritual necessities of any class or portion of the population within said Dioceses.

V. That to indicate the desire of this Church to promote union amongst Christians, and as an organ of communication with different Christian bodies or individuals who may desire information or conference on the subject, it is expedient that five Bishops be appointed by ballot at each General Convention, as Commissioners for the foregoing purpose, to be entitled the Commissions on Church unity.

They also recommend that Canon XLV. (1832) be so amended that

the concluding sentence may read as follows: "And in performing said service no other Prayers, Lessons, Anthems or Hymns shall be used than those prescribed by the said book, unless with the consent of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese."

The effect of this amendment would be to enable particular Dioceses under the direction of the ecclesiastical authority of the same, during such seasons as Passion week, Christmas and the like, to substitute Lessons, Anthems or Canticles more appropriate to the occasion and also to bring the provisions of this Canon into harmony with those of Canon XLVII. (1832).

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies having requested (see Journal, p. 73) this House in 1853 to consider the propriety of setting forth a form of Prayer for the increase of the Holy Ministry according to the command of Christ, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into his harvest," and a resolution to the same effect of the Bishop of Pennsylvania in this House having been referred to the Commission, and several propositions having been made for the adoption of other occasional Prayers and Thanksgivings, the Commission have thought that it might be proper to offer for consideration the following forms:

A PRAYER FOR UNITY.

O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace, give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that, as there is but one body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all; so we may henceforth be all of one heart and one soul, united in the holy bond of truth, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE INCREASE OF THE MINISTRY.

O Almighty God, who hast in thy holy church committed to the hands of men the ministry of reconciliation, to gather together a great flock in all parts of the world, to the eternal praise of thy holy name; we humbly beseech thee that thou wilt put it into the hearts of many faithful men to seek this sacred ministry, appointed for the salvation of mankind; that so thy church may rejoice in a due supply of true and faithful pastors, and the bounds of thy blessed kingdom may be enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES.

O Lord, who didst come to seek and to save the lost, and to whom all power is given in heaven and in earth, hear, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy Church for those who, at thy command, go forth to preach the Gospel to every creature. Preserve them from all dangers to which they may be exposed; from perils by land and perils by water; from the deadly pestilence; from the violence of the persecutor; from doubt and impatience; from discouragement and discord; and from all the devices of the powers of darkness. And while they plant and water, send thou, O Lord, the increase; gather in the multitude of the heathen;

convert, in Christian lands, such as neglect so great salvation; so that thy name may be glorified, and thy kingdom come, O gracious Saviour of the world, to whom, with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE YOUNG TO BE USED ON OCCASIONS OF CATECHISING AND THE LIKE.

Almighty Father who has promised that they who seek early thy heavenly wisdom, shall early find it, and find it more precious than all the treasures of this world, send down on these thy children the grace and blessing of thy Holy Spirit; that they, being trained up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, may choose and love thy way, and depart from it no more for ever; and that, when thou makest up thy jewels in thy glorious kingdom, these children may be there, and may be thine; all of which we ask for the sake of thy holy child Jesus, our only Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR A PERSON ABOUT TO BE EXPOSED TO SPECIAL DANGER.

Almighty God, the Saviour of all men, we humbly commend to thy tender care and sure protection in *his* danger, thy *servant* for whom our prayers are desired. Let thy fatherly hand, we beseech thee, be over *him*; let thy holy angels have charge of *him*; with thy loving-kindness defend *him*, as with a shield; and either bring *him* out of *his* peril in safety, with a heart to show forth thy praises for ever, or else sustain *him* with that glorious hope by which alone thy servants can have victory in suffering and in death, through the sole merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER IN TIME OF PUBLIC CALAMITIES, DANGERS OR DIFFICULTIES.

O most mighty God! King of kings, and Lord of lords, without whose care the watchman waketh but in vain, we implore, in this our time of need, thy succour and blessing in behalf of our rulers and magistrates, and of all the people of this land (*or*, of this commonwealth, *or*, of this community.) Remember not our many and great transgressions; turn from us the judgments which we feel (*or*, fear); and give us wisdom to discern, and courage to attempt, and faithfulness to do, and patience to endure, whatsoever shall be well-pleasing in thy sight; that so thy chastenings may yield the peaceable fruits of righteousness, and that at the last we may rejoice in thy salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A THANKSGIVING FOR DELIVERANCE OF A PERSON FROM ANY PERIL.

O God, most mighty and most gracious, by whom the hairs of our heads are all numbered, we give thee hearty thanks that thou hast delivered from *his* great peril thy servant, who now desireth that the thanksgiving of many on *his* behalf may redound to thy glory. Write on *his* mind the perpetual remembrance of thy preserving mercy; save *him* from the hardness of an ungrateful heart, and grant that all *his* future days, and all that thou hast graciously continued to *him*, may be consecrated to thee and to thy blessed service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A THANKSGIVING FOR DELIVERANCE FROM PUBLIC CALAMITIES AND DANGERS.

O eternal God, the shield of our help, beneath whose sovereign defence thy people dwell in safety, we bless and praise, we laud and magnify thy glorious name for all thy goodness to the people of this land, (*or*, of this commonwealth, *or*, of this community), and especially for our merciful deliverance from those calamities which of late we suffered, (*or*, dreaded). Inspire our souls with grateful love; lift up our voices in songs of thankfulness; and so pour out upon us thy Holy Spirit, that we may be humble and watchful in our prosperity, patient and steadfast in our afflictions, and always enjoy the blessed confidence of that people whose God is the Lord; all of which we ask through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer, to whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, praise and dominion, now and for ever. Amen.

A THANKSGIVING FOR THE RECOVERY OF A SICK CHILD.

Almighty Father, who, at the prayers of thy servants, Elijah and Elisha, didst gladden the hearts of two pious mothers by restoring them their dead, and who, by thy Son Jesus Christ, didst raise to health and life the children of many sorrowing parents, accept, we beseech thee, the thanks of thy *servants* who *call* upon us to join our praises with their own for the deliverance of their dear child from sickness and the grave. May that recovered child be ever thine; and may the hearts of all to whom *he* is precious, so burn at the remembrance of thy goodness, that they may hold no thank-offering too costly to show forth thy praise, and may present themselves, a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto thee, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

The Commission in making this report have endeavored to call the attention to the subjects which are believed to have been in the contemplation of the memorialists, and to be of chief interest to the members of the Church. They have by no means attempted to embrace all the matters which have been suggested or proposed as amendments to our order of worship and system of discipline and religious instruction and training. As far as consistent with a proper understanding of the views of the Commission, brevity has been consulted in their report. With a view to gain whatever advantage might be derived from a division of labor and from concentrating the thoughts of individuals on particular subjects, the chairman, last spring, assigned to each member of the Commission special topics for consideration, and requested his views upon them. The communications made in consequence will be found in an Appendix, and it is hoped that they may be advantageously considered by the members of our communion.

The Commission cannot close this report without recording their sense of indebtedness to those who have favored them with communications respecting the interesting work in which they have been engaged: and now commit the result of their labors to the disposal of this House, with the prayer to the God of all wisdom and grace to over-rule its deliberations to the promotion of His own glory and the good of His Church.

JAS. H. OTEY, *Chairman*.

G. W. DOANE, ALONZO POTTER,

GEORGE BURGESS, JNO. WILLIAMS.

A PRAYER FOR INCREASE OF FAITHFUL MINISTERS.

PREPARED BY A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS, NOT ON THE COMMISSION, AND BY THE HOUSE ORDERED TO BE PRINTED IN THE JOURNAL.

O Almighty and most gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who by him hath straitly commanded us that we should pray to Thee for laborers in Thine harvest; we beseech Thee of Thine infinite and unmerited mercy to send unto us increase of true ministers and stewards of Thine holy word and sacraments, replenishing both their hearts and mouths with the healthful truth of Thy Gospel, that they may faithfully keep Thy commandments committed to their trust, and preach Thy word instantly and faithfully; so that we, Thy people, being warned, instructed, nourished, comforted, and strengthened by Thy heavenly grace and truth, may do such things as are pleasing to Thee and profitable for us: through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, who, with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

Appendix L.—3.

LIST OF CONSECRATIONS, *Continued from Journal of* 1853.

LXI.—BISHOP LEE.

Know all men by these presents, that we, John Henry Hopkins, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont; Samuel Allen McCoskry, D. D., D. C. L., Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan; William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L., Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York; Manton Eastburn, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts; George Burgess, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Maine; and Henry John Whitehouse, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois; under the protection of Almighty God, in Saint Luke's Church, in the city of Rochester, in the State of New York, and in the Diocese of Western New York, on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, did then and there rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in Christ, Henry Washington Lee, D. D., Rector of Saint Luke's Church, in the city of Rochester, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, unto the office of a Bishop in the Church of God, to which he hath been elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Iowa.

Given in the city of Rochester, in the State of New York, and in the Diocese of Western New York, this eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

JOHN H. HOPKINS, [SEAL.]
SAMUEL A. MCCOSKRY, [SEAL.]
WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, [SEAL.]
MANTON EASTBURN, [SEAL.]
GEORGE BURGESS, [SEAL.]
HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, [SEAL.]

LXII.—BISHOP H. POTTER.

In the name of God: Amen.

To all the faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, greeting:

Be it known unto you, that we, Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Connecticut; Francis, by the grace of God, Bishop of Montreal; John Henry Hopkins, D. D., LL. D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Vermont; George Washington Doane, D. D., LL. D., by the grace of God, Bishop of New Jersey; Samuel Allen McCoskry, D. D., LL. D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Michigan; William Rollinson Whittingham, D. D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Maryland; and Alonzo Potter, D. D., LL. D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Pennsylvania; under the protection of Almighty God, in Trinity Church, in the city of New York, on the Wednesday after the twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, being the twenty-second day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the clergy and laity of the Diocese, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Reverend Horatio Potter, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the Church of God, he having been duly elected Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, in Trinity Church, in the city of New York, on the day and in the year herein above written.

T. C. Brownell,	[SEAL.]
F. Montreal.	[SEAL.]
John H. Hopkins,	[SEAL.]
G. W. Doane,	[SEAL.]
Samuel A. McCoskry,	[SEAL.]
William Rollinson Whittingham,	[SEAL.]
Alonzo Potter.	[SEAL.]

LXIII.—BISHOP CLARK.

Know all men by these presents, that we, Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut; John Henry Hopkins, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont; George Washington Doane, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey; Manton Eastburn, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts; George Burgess, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Maine; and John Williams, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut; on Wednesday, the sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, in Grace Church, in the city of Providence, Rhode Island, did admit our beloved in Christ, Thomas

March Clark, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, in the city of Hartford, Connecticut, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island; and him, the said Thomas March Clark, did then and there rightly and canonically consecrate a Bishop, according to the form and manner prescribed and used by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

In testimony whereof, we have affixed to these presents our Episcopal signatures and seals, at Providence, Rhode Island, this sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

T. C. BROWNELL, [SEAL.]
JOHN H. HOPKINS, [SEAL.]
G. W. DOANE, [SEAL.]
MANTON EASTBURN, [SEAL.]
GEORGE BURGESS, [SEAL.]
JOHN WILLIAMS. [SEAL.]

Appendix T.—4.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

To the Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Western New York, Chairman of the "Standing Committee on Records" of the House of Bishops.

RT. REV. FATHER:

In compliance with your call, I have the honor respectfully to report:

That shortly after my appointment as Registrar of the General Convention, I made a request of the Corporation of Trinity Church, in the City of New York, for the use of a large iron safe, standing in the North Vestry of Trinity Church, as a secure and "accessible place of deposit," for the documents which had come into my possession, as Registrar. In this safe, the use of which was readily granted for this purpose, I have put the papers, &c., of which I have charge, having duly filed and arranged them, as required by the Canon IV. of 1853.

In the List, which accompanies this report, will be found a true account of the documents and other articles, in my possession.

I have also to state, that I have in keeping, though it does not properly belong to my office as described in the Canon, the Gold Alms Basin, which was the gift of the University of Oxford, on the occasion of the visit to England, of the Deputation of Bishops in 1852. I have not placed it in the safe, in Trinity Church, but have thought it more proper to provide for its safe keeping elsewhere.

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient Son and Servant in the Church,
J. H. HOBART.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS,

Pamphlets, and other articles, under the charge of the Registrar of the General Convention, Nov., 1856.

1. Three volumes containing Certificates of Election, and Testimonials for Consecration of Bishops, from 1795 to 1830.

2. Bishop White's Record-Book of Consecrations and Ordinations.
3. Testimonials from House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in respect to Consecration of Rt. Rev. Bishop C. Chase, Rt. Rev. Bishop Cobbs, Rt. Rev. Bishop Hawks, Rt. Rev. Bishop Freeman, Rt. Rev. Bishop Southgate, Rt. Rev. Bishop Burgess, Rt. Rev. Bishop Davis, Rt. Rev. Bishop Atkinson, Rt. Rev. Bishop Kip, Rt. Rev. Bishop H. W. Lee, Rt. Rev. Bishop Horatio Potter.
4. Three sealed packages of papers connected with the Trial of Rt. Rev. Bishop Smith, of Kentucky.
5. Thirteen documents referring to the case of the Rt. Rev. H. U. Onderdonk.
6. The Bishop of Maryland's Protest, in the case of Bishop Onderdonk, of New York.
7. Two bundles of accounts and bills against the General Convention. (Settled.)
8. One copy of a "Book of Common Prayer," &c., commonly called *The Proposed Book*.
9. Credentials of Deputies from Synod of Toronto, &c., &c. Engrossed on parchment.
10. Address from Council of Society for the Revival of Convocation in the Church of England. Engrossed on parchment and enclosed in a tin case.
11. Several Copies of Proceedings of the Society for the Revival of Convocation, &c.
12. Several copies of Statement of Society for Revival of Convocation, &c.
13. Address of Council of Society for Revival, &c., &c. Several copies.
14. Rules of Society for Revival of Convocation, &c.
15. Society for Revival of Convocation. "Opinions," &c. One bundle.
16. Several Sermons, Pastoral Letters and Addresses of Rt. Rev. the Bishops.
17. Several bundles of MSS. Journals of General Convention.
18. Several bundles of various proposed Canons in former Conventions.
19. Several copies of the Statement of Difficulties between the Diocese of North Carolina and Bishop Ives.
20. Minutes (in MSS.) of Proceedings of Churchmen in Oregon, in relation to appointment of a Missionary Bishop; 2 Aug., 1853.
21. One bundle of Journal of General Convention of 1844.
22. One bundle of Journal of 1847.
23. One bundle of Journal of 1850.
24. One bundle of Journal of 1853.
25. Journals of one or more Conventions of Dioceses of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island New York, Western New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, California, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas.
27. Act of Incorporation of Gen. Theol. Seminary, and Proceedings of Annual Meetings of 1848, 1849, 1850, 1852, 1853.
28. Several bundles of Reports, &c., printed in the Journals of the General Convention.

Appendix M.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

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Note.—The Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies is sponsible only for the typographical correctness of the following lists, furnished by the several Bishops. Where no list has been given, as uired by the Canon, a copy is taken from the Journal of the last ocesan Convention, with such corrections as upon information could made.

DIOCESE OF MAINE.

ie Rt. Rev. George Burgess, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of Christ Church, Gardiner.
ev. Wm. E. Armitage, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Augusta.
ev. John Blake, Chaplain in U. S. N., stationed at New York.
ev. Alexander Burgess, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Portland.
ev. William S. Chadwell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brunswick.
ev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of St. John's Church, Bangor.
ev. Samuel Cowell, Rector of Trinity Church, Saco, and Emanuel Church, Biddeford.
ev. George W. Durell, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Calais.
ev. Frederick Gardiner, Rector of Trinity Church, Lewistown Falls.
ev Roger S. Howard (Deacon), Principal of the Girls' High School, Bangor.
ev. Edward Jessup, Rector of Grace Church, Bath.
ev. Edwin W. Murray, officiating in Virginia.
ev. James Pratt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Portland.
ev. George Slattery, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Rockland, and St. Thomas' Church, Camden.
ev. William S. Southgate, (Deacon) Assistant Minister of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
ev. Daniel C. Weston, residing at Augusta.

Rev. Charles H. Wheeler (Deacon), Principal of the Episcopal Female Institute, Philadelphia.
Rev. Pelham Williams (Deacon), Minister of St. John's Church, Dresden, and St. Philip's Church, Wiscasset.

DIOCESE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Rt. Rev. Carlton Chase, D. D., Bishop and Rector of Trinity Church, Claremont.
Rev. Edward Bourne, LL. D., Minister of St. Thomas' Church, Hanover.
Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
Rev. Francis Chase (Deacon), Assistant Teacher in St. Paul's School, Concord.
Rev. Henry A. Coit, Rector of St. Paul's School, Concord.
Rev. Isaac G. Hubbard, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Manchester.
Rev. George E. Hurd (Deacon), assistant to the Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
Rev. Nicholas F. Ludlum, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Hopkinton,
Rev. Newton E. Marble, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Concord.
Rev. Joshua R. Pierce, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Holderness.
Rev. Thomas G. Salter, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Dover.
Rev. Henry S. Smith, Rector of Union Church, Claremont.
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RECAPITULATION.

MAINE	18	NORTH CAROLINA	45	MISSOURI	22
NEW HAMPSHIRE	13	SOUTH CAROLINA	67	WISCONSIN	46
VERMONT	23	GEORGIA	22	IOWA	20
MASSACHUSETTS	77	FLORIDA	7	MINNESOTA	13
RHODE ISLAND	32	ALABAMA	27	NEBRASKA	2
CONNECTICUT	120	MISSISSIPPI	31	KANSAS	2
NEW YORK	308	LOUISIANA	34	OREGON AND WASHINGTON TERRITORY	7
WESTERN NEW YORK	120	TENNESSEE	17	TEXAS	16
NEW JERSEY	81	KENTUCKY	30	ARKANSAS AND THE INDIAN TERRITORY,	6
PENNSYLVANIA	163	OHIO	85		
DELAWARE	19	INDIANA	23		
MARYLAND	147	ILLINOIS	46		
VIRGINIA	116	MICHIGAN	40	TOTAL	1343

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF

The Protestant Episcopal Church

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

1856.

Constitution.

ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1789.

ARTICLE I.

There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, on the first Wednesday in October, in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one; and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention, and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the clergy and the laity. Such representation shall consist of not more than four clergymen and four laymen,—Communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the clerical and lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint clerical deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint lay deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed should neglect to attend or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no deputies, either lay or clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE III.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurence of the House of Deputies, composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases, the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as

aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the clerical deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to ordain or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office by any Church destitute of a Bishop.

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution: and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions.

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than fifteen self-supporting parishes, or less than fifteen presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than thirty self-supporting parishes, or less than twenty presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned, provided that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one,

may elect the one, to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses, to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, on any clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

ARTICLE VII.

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may elect the one, to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

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The first Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

The third Article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.—See Journals of General Convention, pp. 248, 249.

The second sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.—See Journals of General Convention, p. 274.

The words, "or the Articles of Religion," were added to the eighth Article by the General Convention of 1829.

The fifth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1838.

The same Convention adopted the following alterations.—See Journal of General Convention of 1838, p. 24.

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Strike out the words "or district," in the fourth Article.

Strike out the word "State," in the sixth Article, and insert the word "Diocese."

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The sixth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

Article X. was finally agreed to, and ratified in the General Convention of 1844.

Articles II. and V. were put into their present form at the General Convention of 1856.

CANONS

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF

The Protestant Episcopal Church

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN NEW YORK, OCTOBER, 1832.

BEING THE SUBSTANCE OF VARIOUS CANONS ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION OF SAID CHURCH FROM A. D. 1789, TO A. D. 1832.

CANON I.

Of the Orders of Ministers in this Church.

[This Canon was adopted in 1789.]

In this Church there shall always be three orders in the Ministry, viz.: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

CANON II.

Of the Election of Bishops.

[Repealed by CANON I. of 1835.*]

CANON III.

Of the Certificates to be produced on the part of the Bishop Elect.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1789, the fourth of 1792, and the third of 1808.]

SECTION 1. Every Bishop elect, before his consecration, shall produce to the House of Bishops, from the Convention by whom he is elected, evidence of such election, and from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention, evidence of their approbation of his testimonials, and

* Now Canon II. of 1844.

of their assent to his consecration, and also certificates respectively, in the following words: such certificates in both cases, to be signed by a constitutional majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies, composing the State Convention, or the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as the case may be. The same evidence of election by, and the same certificate from the members of the State Convention, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

Testimony from the members of the Convention in the Diocese from whence the person is recommended for Consecration.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion or for viciousness in life: and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare, that we do in our conscience believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners, and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop, to the honor of God and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

The above certificate shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

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impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office; but that he hath, as we believe, led his life for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly.

SECTION 2. If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

CANON IV.

Of Standing Committees.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789, the second of 1795, the fourth and twenty-fourth of 1808.]

SECTION 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment, from time to time; and the President shall have power to summon special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

SECTION 2. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

SECTION 3. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

CANON V.

Of the Consecration of Bishops during the Recess of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1799, the fifth of 1808, and the sixth of 1820.]

SECTION 1. If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church, in any Diocese, should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their President, or by

some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same; or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

SECTION 2. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites, no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention. But in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within a year before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

CANON VI.

Of Assistant Bishops.

[The former Canon on this subject was the fifth of 1829.]

When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall in all cases succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him. The Assistant Bishop shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese, as the Bishop shall assign to him; and in case of the Bishop's inability to assign such duties declared by the Convention of the Diocese, the Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, perform all the duties and exercise all the authorities which appertain to the office of a Bishop. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time.

CANON VII.

Of the performance of Episcopal Duties in vacant Dioceses.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1838.*]

CANON VIII.

Of the Age of those who are to be Ordained or Consecrated.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fourth of 1789, the third of 1795, and the sixth of 1808.]

Deacon's orders shall not be conferred on any person until he shall be twenty-one years old, nor Priest's orders on any one until he shall be twenty-four years old. And no Deacon shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall have been a Deacon one year, except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.

CANON IX.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Repealed by Canon IV. of 1838.†]

CANON X.

Of the conduct required in Candidates for Orders.

[The former Canon on this subject was the eighth of 1808.]

The Bishop, or other Ecclesiastical authority who may have the superintendence of Candidates for Orders, shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently, and under proper direction, and that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most liable to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become those who are preparing for the holy Ministry.

CANON XI.

Of Candidates for Orders who are Lay Readers.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1856.]

CANON XII.

Of Candidates who may be refused Orders.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1856.]

* Now Canon IV. of 1847. † Now Canon III. of 1856.

CANON XIII.

Of the Learning of those who are to be Ordained.

[Repealed by CANON V. of 1838.]

CANON XIV.

Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

[Repealed by CANON V. of 1841.]

CANON XV.

Of the Testimonials to be produced on the part of those who are to be Ordained.

[Repealed by CANON IV. of 1856.]

CANON XVI.

Of Candidates coming from places within the United States, in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to.

[Repealed by CANON III. of 1856.]

CANON XVII.

Of Deacons.

[Repealed by CANON IV. of 1856.]

CANON XVIII.

Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.

[Repealed by CANON V. of 1856.]

CANON XIX.

Of the Titles of those who are to be ordained Priests.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1856.]

CANON XX.

Of the Times of Ordination.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eighth of 1789, and the fifteenth of 1808.]

Agreeably to the practice of the primitive Church, the stated times of Ordination shall be on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks, viz.: the second Sunday in Lent, the Feast of Trinity, and the Sundays after the Wednesdays following the 14th day of September, and the 13th of December. Occasional Ordinations may be held at such other times as the Bishop shall appoint.

CANON XXI.

Of those who have Officiated as Ministers among other Denominations of Christians, and apply for Orders in this Church.

[Repealed by CANON III. of 1835.*]

CANON XXII.

Of Clergymen Ordained for Foreign Parts.

[Repealed by CANON V. of 1856.]

CANON XXIII.

Of Clergymen ordained by Foreign Bishops, or by Bishops not in Communion with this Church and desirous of officiating or settling in the Church.

[Repealed by CANON VI. of 1841.†]

CANON XXIV.

Of Ministers Celebrating Divine Service in a Foreign Language.

[The former Canon on this subject was the sixth of 1829.]

When a Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this Communion, in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, or with the unanimous approbation of the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, and on complying with the other requisitions of the Canons, settle in the said Church, as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, anything in Canon XXIII. to the contrary notwithstanding. And when a person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister of any other denomination of Christians, applies for orders in this Church, on the ground of a call to a Church in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he said Church belongs, may, on sufficient evidence of fitness according to the Canons, and by a unanimous vote at a meeting duly convened, recommend him to the Bishop for orders, and the Bishop may then ordain him, and he may be settled and instituted into the said Church, without his

* Now Canon III. of 1856. † Now Canon IX. of 1844.

producing a testimonial to his character by a Clergyman, from his personal knowledge of him for one year, and without his having been a year resident in this country, anything in any other Canon of this Church to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided*, that in both of the above cases, the person applying produce a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, that they have satisfactory reason to believe the testimonials to his religious, moral, and literary qualifications, to be entitled to full credit.

CANON XXV.

Of Episcopal Visitations.

[Repealed by Canon IV. of 1850.*]

CANON XXVI.

Of the duty of Ministers in regard to Episcopal Visitations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eleventh of 1789, and the twenty-first of 1808.]

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation. And on notice being received from the Bishop, of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended Visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners individually, as opportunity may offer; and also to the Congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of said notice. And he shall be ready to present, for Confirmation, such persons as he shall think properly qualified; and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

SECTION 2. And at every Visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop, of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

SECTION 3. And further, the Ministers and Churchwardens of such Congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

* Now Canon II. of 1856.

CANON XXVII.

Of Episcopal Charges and Pastoral Letters.

[The former Canon on this subject was the twenty-third of 1808.]

It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver, at least once in three years, a Charge to the Clergy of the Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause. And it is also deemed proper, that from time to time he shall address to the people of his Diocese, Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners.

CANON XXVIII.

Of Parochial Instruction.

[The former Canon on this subject was the twenty-second of 1808.]

The Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated Catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrines, Constitution and Liturgy of the Church.

CANON XXIX.

Of the Duty of Ministers to keep a Register.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifteenth of 1789, and the fortieth of 1808.]

SECTION 1. Every Minister of this Church shall keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages and Funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none should be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such a Register.

And the intention of the Register of Baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of Church-membership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of Baptism.

SECTION 2. And further, every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families, and adult persons within his cure; to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same Parish.

CANON XXX.

Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.

[Repealed by Canon XIV. of 1853.*]

CANON XXXI.

Of the Officiating of Ministers of this Church in the Churches or within the Parochial Cures of other Clergymen.

[Repealed by Canon IX. of 1853.]

CANON XXXII.

Of Episcopal Resignations.

[Repealed by Canon IV. of 1844.]

CANON XXXIII.

Of the Dissolution of all Pastoral Connection between Ministers and their Congregations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1804, and the thirtieth of 1808

SECTION 1. When any Minister has been regularly instituted or settled in a Parish or Church, he shall not be dismissed without the concurrence of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; and in case of his dismission without such concurrence, the Vestry or Congregation of such Parish or Church, shall have no right to a representation in the Convention of the Diocese, until they have made such satisfaction as the Convention may require. Nor shall any Minister leave his Congregation against their will, without the concurrence of the Ecclesiastical authority aforesaid; and if he shall leave them without such concurrence, he shall not be allowed to take a seat in any Convention of this Church, or be eligible into any Church or Parish, until he shall have made such satisfaction as the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may require.

SECTION 2. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Minister and his Congregation, the Bishop or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same. But if the dissolution of the connection between any Minister and his congregation be not regular or canonical, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall lay the same before the Convention of the Diocese, in order that the above mentioned penalties may take effect.

* Now Canon VII. of 1856.

This Canon shall not be obligatory upon those Dioceses with whose usages, laws, or charters, it interferes.

CANON XXXIV.

Of differences between Ministers and their Congregations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fourth of 1804, and the thirty-second of 1808.]

In cases of controversy between Ministers who now, or may hereafter hold the Rectorship of Churches or Parishes, and the Vestry or Congregation of such Churches or Parishes, which controversies are of such a nature as cannot be settled by themselves, the parties or either of them, shall make application to the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, to the Convention of the same. And if it appear to the Bishop and a majority of the Presbyters, convened after a summons of the whole belonging to the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, (if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention,) that the controversy has proceeded to such lengths as to preclude all hope of its favorable termination, and that a dissolution of the connection which exists between them is indispensably necessary to restore the peace, and promote the prosperity of the Church, the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or if there be no Bishop, the Convention or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, shall recommend to such Ministers to relinquish their titles to their Rectorship on such conditions as may appear reasonable and proper to the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention. And if such Rectors or Congregations refuse to comply with such recommendation, the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, with the aid and consent of a Bishop, may, at their discretion, proceed, according to the Canons of the Church, to suspend the former from the exercise of any ministerial duties within the Diocese, and prohibit the latter from a seat in the Convention until they retract such refusal, and submit to the terms of the recommendation: and any Minister so suspended shall not be

permitted, during his suspension, to exercise any ministerial duties. This Canon shall apply also to the cases of Assistant Ministers and their congregations.

CANON XXXV.

Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

[Repealed by Canon IV. of 1835.*]

CANON XXXVI.

Of the Officiating of Persons not Ministers of this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifth of 1792, and the thirty-fifth of 1808.]

No person shall be permitted to officiate in any congregation of this Church, without first producing the evidences of his being a Minister thereof, to the Minister, or, in case of vacancy or absence, to the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the congregation.

CANON XXXVII.

Of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and Punished.

[Former Canons on this subject were the thirteenth of 1789, the first of 1801, the twenty-sixth of 1808, and the second of 1829.]

SECTION 1. Every Minister shall be liable to presentment and trial, for any crime or gross immorality, for disorderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane swearing, for frequenting places most liable to be abused to licentiousness, and for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs; and, on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

SECTION 2. If any Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the Holy Eucharist according to the Offices of this Church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly, or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching or inculcating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Clerical

* Now Canon VI. of 1856.

members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

CANON XXXVIII.

Of a Minister declaring that he will no longer be a Minister of this Church.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1850.]

CANON XXXIX.

Of Degradation from the Ministry, and of Publishing the Sentence thereof.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1792, and the twenty seventh of 1808.]

SECTION 1. When any Minister is degraded from the Holy Ministry, he is degraded therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower order of the same. Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions, are the same as degradation. No degraded Minister shall be restored to the Ministry.

SECTION 2. Whenever a Clergyman shall be degraded, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and vestry in the Diocese, and also to all the Bishops of this Church, and where these is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

CANON XL.

Of a Clergyman in any Diocese Chargeable with Misdemeanor in any other.

[Repealed by Canon VI. of 1850.]

CANON XLI.

Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fourteenth of 1789, and the thirty-ninth of 1808.]

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON XLII.

Of Crimes and Scandals to be Censured.

[Former Canons on this subject were the twelfth of 1789, and the twenty-fifth of 1808, and the third of 1817.]

SECTION 1. If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the Holy Communion agreeably to the rubric.

SECTION 2. There being the provision in the second rubric before the Communion Service, requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary; it is hereby provided, that on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party. But on receiving complaint it shall be the duty of the Bishop unless he thinks fit to restore him, from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And the notice given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party repelled.

SECTION 3. In the case of a great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against, to the depriving them of all privileges of Church membership, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided, by the different State Conventions.

CANON XLIII.

Of a Congregation in any Diocese uniting with any other Diocese.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eighth of 1795, the thirty-seventh of 1808, the first of 1817, and the second of 1820.]

Whereas, a question may arise, whether a congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet any Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese, it is hereby determined and declared, that all such unions shall be considered as irregular and void; and that every congregation

of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a Church to which they belong. And no Clergyman having a parish or cure in more than one Diocese, shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.

CANON XLIV.

Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.

[The former Canon on this subject was the second of 1823.]

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint from time to time, some suitable person or persons, to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the Standard Edition agreed upon by the General Convention, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with said book.

The following Resolution was ordered to accompany this Canon:

Resolved, by the two Houses of Convention, That it be recommended to every future Convention to appoint a Joint Committee to whom there may be communicated all errors, if any, in Editions of the Bible printed under the operation of a certain Canon of this Convention; such errors to be notified on the Journal of the Convention, to which they may at any time be presented by the Joint Committee.

CANON XLV.

Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

[Former Canons on this subject were the tenth of 1789, and the thirty-fourth of 1808.]

Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church. And in performing said Service, no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said book.

CANON XLVI.

Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

[Repealed by Canon VI. of 1835.*]

* Now Canon VI. of 1847.

CANON XLVII.

Of Forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving, for extraordinary occasions.

[Former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1795, and thirty-eighth of 1808.]

The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Dioceses, or other places within the bounds of this Church, in which there is no Bishop, may use the form of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.

CANON XLVIII.

Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixteenth of 1789, the first of 1792, and the forty-first of 1808.]

SECTION 1. The Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him, in the following manner: that is to say, every Bishop of this Church, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall at the time of every General Convention, deliver or cause to be delivered to the said Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, or of their stations in any Colleges or other Seminaries of learning; or in regard to those who have not any cures or other stations, their places of residence only. And the said list shall, from time to time, be published on the Journals of the General Convention.

SECTION 2. And further, it is recommended to the several Bishops of this Church, and to the several Standing Committees, that, during the intervals between the meetings of the General Convention, they take such means of notifying the admission of Ministers among them, as, in their discretion respectively, they shall think effectual to the purpose of preventing ignorant and unwary people from being imposed on, by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church.

CANON XLIX.

Of the Mode of calling Special Meetings of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the first of 1789, and the forty-second of 1808.]

SECTION 1. The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. This right shall be exercised by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to Preside at the next General Convention; provided that the summons shall be with the consent, or on the requisition of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

SECTION 2. The place of holding any special Convention shall be that fixed on by the preceding General Convention for the meeting of the next General Convention, unless circumstances shall render a meeting at such a place unsafe; in which case the Presiding Bishop may appoint some other place.

SECTION 3. The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be Deputies at such Special Convention, unless in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent, in the Special Convention, the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

CANON L.

Of the mode of transmitting Notice of all Matters submitted by the General Convention to the consideration of the Diocesan Conventions.

[The former Canon on this subject was the forty-fourth of 1808.]

It shall be the duty of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give a particular notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical authority of this Church in every Diocese.

CANON LI.

Of the mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Repealed by CANON VII. of 1835.*]

* Now Canon XII. of 1853.

CANON LII.

Of the Alms and Contributions at the Holy Communion.

[The former Canon on this subject was the first of 1814.]

The alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion, shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

CANON LIII.

Of the Requisites of a Quorum.

In all cases in which a Canon directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised, by a Standing Committee, or by the Clerical members thereof or by any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum; and a majority of the quorum so convened, shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.

CANON LIV.

Of Defraying the Expenses of the General Convention.

[Repealed by Canon VIII. of 1835.*]

CANON LV.

Of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

[Repealed by Canon I. of 1847.]

CANON LVI.

Repealing former Canons.

All former Canons of this Convention not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the City of New York, October, 1832.

By order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

Attested: BIRD WILSON, D. D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., President.

Attested: HENRY ANTHON, D. D., Secretary.

* Now Canon VIII. of 1856.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST, 1835.

CANON I.

Of the Election of Bishops.

[Repealed by Canon I. of 1838.*]

CANON II.

Of Missionary Bishops.

[Repealed by Canon II. of 1838 †]

CANON III.

Of those who have Officiated, without Episcopal Ordination, as Ministers among other Denominations of Christians, and apply for Orders in this Church.

[Repealed by Canon VII. of 1838.‡]

CANON IV.

Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

[Repealed by Canon VII. of 1841.§]

CANON V.

Of Amenability and Citations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1804, the thirty-first of 1808, the fourth of 1829, and the thirty-fifth of 1832.]

SECTION 1. Every Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

SECTION 2. Unless a State Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear at a certain time and place for the trial of an offence shall be deemed to be duly served upon him, if a Copy thereof is left at his

* Now Canon II. of 1844.
† Now Canon VIII. of 1844.
‡ Now Canon III. of 1856.
§ Now Canon VI. of 1856.

last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing a copy of such citation in some newspaper, printed at the seat of Government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear, six months before the said day of appearance.

CANON VI.

Of the mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

[Repealed by Canon IX. of 1838.*]

CANON VII.

Of the Mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Repealed by Canon VIII. of 1841.†]

CANON VIII.

Of Defraying the Expenses of the General Convention.

[Repealed by Canon X. of 1838.‡]

Done in General Convention in the City of Philadelphia, August, 1835.

By order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D.D., Presiding Bishop.

Attested: BIRD WILSON, D.D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D.D., President.

Attested: HENRY ANTHON, D.D., Secretary.

* Now Canon VII. of 1847. † Now Canon XII. of 1853
‡ Now Canon VIII. of 1856.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN PHILADELPHIA, SEPTEMBER, 1838.

CANON I.

Of the Election of Bishops.

[Repealed by Canon II. of 1844.]

CANON II.

Of Missionary Bishops.

[Repealed by Canon VIII. of 1844.]

CANON III.

the Performance of Episcopal Duties in Vacant Dioceses.

[Repealed by Canon IV. of 1847.]

CANON IV.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Repealed by Canon IX. of 1841.*]

CANON V.

Of the learning of those who are to be ordained.

[Repealed by Canon VI. of 1853.†]

CANON VI.

Candidates for Orders Ineligible to the General Convention.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1856.]

CANON VII.

ncerning Candidates for Orders in this Church who have been Ministers, Licentiates, or Students of Theology, among other Religious Denominations.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1856.]

CANON VIII.

f the Organizing of New Dioceses formed out of existing Dioceses.

SECTION 1. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which another is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the

* Now Canon III. of 1856.

† Now Canon V. of 1856.

last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing a copy of such citation in some newspaper, printed at the seat of Government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear, six months before the said day of appearance.

CANON VI.

Of the mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Books of Common Prayer, &c.

[Repealed by Canon IX. of 1838.*]

CANON VII.

Of the Mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Repealed by Canon VIII. of 1841.†]

CANON VIII.

Of Defraying the Expenses of the General Convention.

[Repealed by Canon X. of 1838.‡]

Done in General Convention in the City of Philadelphia, August, 1835.

By order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D.D., Presiding Bishop.

Attested: BIRD WILSON, D.D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D.D., President.

Attested: HENRY ANTHON, D.D., Secretary.

* Now Canon VII. of 1847. † Now Canon XII. of 1853
‡ Now Canon VIII. of 1856.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION IN NEW YORK, OCTOBER, 1841.

CANON I.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

At every triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His accounts shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

CANON II.

Of a Clergyman Absenting himself from his Diocese.

When a Clergyman has been absent from his Diocese during two years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare in writing the cause, or causes, of his absence; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if these are deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence; or until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or, until he shall renounce the Ministry, according to Canon XXXVIII. of 1832. In the case of such suspension, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

CANON III.

Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the office of Diocesan Bishop.

[Repealed by Canon IX. of 1856.]

CANON IV.

Of the Trial of Bishops.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1844.]

CANON V.

Of the Preparatory Exercise of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

[Repealed by Canon VIII. of 1853.*]

CANON VI.

Of Clergymen Ordained by Foreign Bishops in Communion with this Church, and desirous of Officiating or Settling in this Church.

[Repealed by Canon IX. of 1844.]

CANON VII.

Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1844†.]

CANON VIII.

Of the mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Repealed by Canon XII. of 1853.]

CANON IX.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Repealed by Canon VI. of 1847.‡]

CANON X.

Of Clergymen Ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church, and desirous of Officiating or Settling in this Church.

When a Deacon or Priest, ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a Minister thereof. he shall produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of

* Now Canon XI. of 1856.
† Now Canon VII. of 1856.
‡ Now Canon III. of 1856.

this Church, stating that from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged, has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article VII. of the Constitution: which being done, the Bishop being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him as such.

Done in General Convention, in the City of New York, October, 1841.

By Order of the House of Bishops.

ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

Attested: JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., Secretary.

By Order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., President.

Attested: WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., Secretary.

Canons.

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1844.

CANON I.

Of the Expenses of General Conventions.

[Repealed by Canon XV. of 1853.*]

CANON II.

Of the Election of Bishops.

[Former Canons on this subject were the first of 1795, the second of 1808, the first of 1817, the second of 1820, the second of 1832, the first of 1835, and the first of 1838.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop by the Convention thereof, there must be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters therein, regularly settled in a Parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and six or more Parishes represented in the Convention electing. But

*Now Canon VIII. of 1856.

two or more adjoining Dioceses not having respectively the requisite number of Presbyters to entitle either to the choice of a Bishop, may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, to exercise jurisdiction alike in each of the associated Dioceses, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters, residing in any part of such associated Dioceses qualified as aforesaid; and the Bishop so elected shall exercise Episcopal jurisdiction over each of the associated Dioceses, until such time as some one of said Dioceses having six or more Presbyters canonically qualified to elect a Bishop, shall elect him, and he shall have accepted the office as its own exclusive Diocesan: whereupon his connection with the other associated Diocese, or Dioceses, shall cease and determine: *Provided always*, that the Dioceses thus associating in the election of a common Bishop, and the Conventions thereof, shall in all other respects remain as before unconnected and independent of each other: and, *Provided also*, that such association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop, if not before.

SECTION 2. A Minister is settled for all purposes, here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

SECTION 3. Canon I. of 1838 is hereby repealed.

CANON III.

Of the Trial of a Bishop.

[Repealed by Canon XI. of 1856.]

CANON IV.

Of Episcopal Resignations.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1850.]

CANON V.

Of Ministers Removing from one Diocese to another.

[Repealed by Canon VII. of 1850.*]

CANON VI.

Of a Discretion to be allowed in the Calling, Trial, and Examination of Deacons in certain cases.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1847.†]

* Now Canon VI. of 1856.
† Now Canon IV. of 1856.

CANON VII.

Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

[Repealed by Canon I. of 1850.]

CANON VIII.

Of Missionary Bishops within the United States.

[Repealed by Canon X. of 1853.*]

CANON IX.

Clergymen Ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.

[The former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1789, the fifth of 1804, the thirty-sixth of 1808, the twenty-third of 1832, and the sixth of 1841.]

SECTION 1. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country and professing to have been ordained out of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church, under Article X. of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the United States, shall before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, duly convened, that his letters of Orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and his theological acquirements; and, in any case, before he shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church, as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, a Letter of Dismission, from under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section 1 of Canon V. of 1844, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the Letter of Dismission was

* Now Canon X. of 1856.

brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the Canonical provisions of this Church; *Provided*, that no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the Declaration contained in Article VII. of the Constitution; which being done, said Bishop or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same: *Provided also*, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his Letter of Dismission.

SECTION 2. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least three years, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

SECTION 3. Canon VI. of 1841 is hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the City of Philadelphia, October, 1844.

By order of the House of Bishops.
PHILANDER CHASE, D. D., Presiding Bishop.
Attested: JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Delegates.
WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., President.
Attested: WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., Secretary.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN NEW YORK, OCTOBER, 1847.

CANON I.

Of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

[The former Canon on this subject was the fifty-fifth of 1832.]

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, a

tificate of the nomination by the Diocese, of a Trustee or
ustees for the General Theological Seminary, and without
h certificate the nomination shall not be confirmed.
SECTION 2. Canon LV. of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON II.

Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences.

The Bishops of this Church who are entitled to seats in
House of Bishops, may altogether remit and terminate
r Judicial Sentence which may have been imposed, or
y hereafter be imposed, by Bishops acting collectively as
udicial Tribunal, or modify the same so far as to desig-
e a precise period of time or other specific contingency,
the occurrence of which, such sentence shall utterly cease
l be of no further force or effect; *Provided*, that no such
nission or modification shall be made, except at a Meeting
the House of Bishops during the session of some General
nvention, or at a Special Meeting of the said Bishops,
ich shall be convened by the Presiding Bishop on the
plication of any five Bishops, three months notice in
iting of the time, place and object of the meeting being
en personally to each Bishop, or left at his usual place of
ode: *Provided also*, that such remission or modification
assented to by a number of said Bishops, not less than a
jority of the whole number entitled at the time to seats
the House of Bishops: *and Provided further*, that nothing
this Canon shall be understood to repeal or alter the pro-
ions of Canon XXXIX. of 1832.

CANON III.

Of the Penalty of Suspension.

Whenever the penalty of Suspension shall be inflicted on
Bishop, Priest or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence
all specify on what terms, or at what time, said penalty
all cease.

CANON IV.

the Performance of Episcopal Duties in Vacant Dioceses, or in a Diocese, the Bishop of which is under disability.

ormer Canons on this subject were the first of 1795, the twentieth of 1808, the seventh of 1832, and the third of 1838.]

SECTION 1. Any Bishop, Assistant Bishop, or Missionary
shop, may, on the invitation of the Convention, or the
anding Committee of any Diocese, where there is no

Bishop, or where the Bishop is, for the time, under a disability to perform Episcopal offices, by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof, and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

SECTION 2. A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time, under a disability, by reason of a Judicial Sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant, or having the Bishop disabled, until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop is duly elected and consecrated for the same, and in the case of a Diocese, whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed, or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

SECTION 3. No Diocese thus placed under the full charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, or exercise authority, till its connection with the first Bishop, has expired or is revoked.

SECTION 4. Canon III. of 1838 is hereby repealed.

CANON V.

Of a discretion to be allowed in the Calling, Trial, and Examination of Deacons in certain cases.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1853.*]

CANON VI.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Repealed by Canon VII. of 1853.†]

CANON VII.

Of the mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1801, the forty-third of 1808, the Canon of 1821, the forty-sixth of 1832, the sixth of 1835, and the ninth of 1838.]

SECTION 1. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee thereof, shall appoint one or more Presbyters of the Diocese, who

* Now Canon IV. of 1856.
† Now Canon III. of 1856.

hall compare and correct all new editions of the Common 'rayer Book, the Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, y some Standard Book; and a certificate of said editions aving been so compared and corrected, shall be published rith the same. And in case any edition shall be published rithout such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, r, where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, o give public notice that such edition is not authorized by he Church.

SECTION 2. The octavo edition of the Book of Common 'rayer, the Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, set orth by the General Convention of 1844, and published by he New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, nd by Harper & Brothers in 1845, is hereby declared to e the Standard edition.

SECTION 3. Canon IX. of 1838 is hereby repealed.

)one in General Convention, in the City of New York, October, 1847.

By order of the House of Bishops,
PHILANDER CHASE, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

ttested: JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,
WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., President.

ttested: WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., Secretary.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN CINCINNATI, OCTOBER, 1850.

CANON I.

Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

[The former Canon on this subject was the seventh of 1844.]

SECTION 1. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, om time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, lect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops f this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any mis- ionary station or stations of this Church out of the ter- itory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, rith the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay)eputies, may have designated. The evidence of such

election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, expressing their assent to the sai nomination, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

SECTION 2. Any Bishop elected and consecrated under this Canon, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction except in the place or country for which he has been elected and consecrated. He shall not be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor shall he become a Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States, unless with the consent of three-fourths of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and also of three-fourths of the Clerical and Lay Deputies present at the Session of the General Convention; or, in the recess of the General Convention, with the consent of the Standing Committees of three-fourths of the Dioceses.

SECTION 3. Any Bishop or Bishops consecrated under this Canon, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall, on presentment by two-thirds of the Missionaries under his charge, for immorality, or heresy, or for a violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, be tried, and if found guilty, sentenced in all particulars as if he were actually resident within the limits of the United States, except that the Trial may be within any Diocese in the United States.

SECTION 4. Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Canon, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of their respective missions, any persons of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him or them the testimonials required by Section 2 of Canon IX. of 1841, signed by not less than two of the ordained Missionaries of this Church who may be subject to his or their charge. Provided, nevertheless, that if there be only one ordained Missionary attached to the Mission, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, in good standing, may be admitted to supply the deficiency.

SECTION 5. Any Foreign Missionary Bishop consecrated under this Canon, or heretofore consecrated, may, by and with the advice of two Presbyters, one of whom, if necessity require, may be a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, dispense with those studies required from a Candidate for Deacon's order by the Canon of this Church; Provided no person shall be ordained by him who has not passed a satisfactory examination, in the presence of two Presbyters, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach. And provided further, that no person shall be ordained by him until he shall have been a Candidate for at least three years. Nor shall any Deacon so ordained be advanced to the order of Presbyters, who has not been in Deacon's Orders for at least one year. Nor shall any Deacon or Priest, who shall have been ordained under this Canon, be allowed to hold any cure, or officiate in the Church in these United States, until he shall have complied with existing Canons, relating to the learning of persons to be ordained.

SECTION 6. Any Foreign Missionary Bishop or Bishops elected, and consecrated under this Canon, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall have jurisdiction and government, according to the Canons of this Church, over all Missionaries, or Clergymen of this Church resident in the district or country for which he or they may have been consecrated.

SECTION 7. Every Bishop elected, and consecrated under this Canon, or Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings and acts, and the state of the Mission under his supervision. He shall also make a similar report, at least once every year, to the Board of Missions of this Church.

SECTION 8. Canon VII. of 1844 is hereby repealed.

CANON II.

Of Episcopal Resignations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the thirty-second of 1832, and the fourth of 1844.]

SECTION 1. If, during the Session of the General Convention, or within six calendar months before the meeting of any such Convention, a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall make known in writing to the House

of Bishops such his desire, together with the reasons moving him thereto; whereupon the House of Bishops may investigate the whole case of the proposed resignation, including not only the facts and reasons that may be set forth in the application for the proposed resignation, but any other facts and circumstances bearing upon it, so that the whole subject of the propriety or necessity of such resignation, may be placed fully before the House of Bishops.

SECTION 2. An investigation having thus been made, the House of Bishops may decide on the application; and by the vote of a majority of those present, accept or refuse to accept such resignation; and in all cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall cause their proceedings to be recorded on their Journal; and, in case of acceptance, the resignation shall be complete when thus recorded, and notice thereof shall be given to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

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the same discretion is allowed to the Standing Committee, in case the Diocese should be without a Bishop.

In the case of deposition from the Ministry, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

SECTION 2. Canon XXXVIII. of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON VI.

Of a Clergyman in any Diocese or Missionary District chargeable with Misdemeanor in any other.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1792, the twenty-eighth of 1808, and the fortieth of 1832.]

SECTION 1. If a Clergyman of this Church, belonging to any Diocese or Missionary District, conduct himself in such a way as is contrary to the rules of this Church, and disgraceful to his Office, the Ecclesiastical authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its correctness. If the Ecclesiastical authority when thus notified shall omit for the space of three months to proceed against the offending Clergyman, it shall be in the power of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary District, within which the alleged offence or offences were committed, to institute proceedings, and the decision given shall be conclusive.

SECTION 2. If a Clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons, or otherwise; or if any Clergyman while sojourning in any Diocese shall misbehave in any of these respects, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in said Diocese. And if, after such prohibition, the said Clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Clergy and Congregations in said Diocese, that the officiating of the said Clergyman is under any and all circumstances, prohibited, and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop to the Standing Committee, of the Diocese to which the said Clergyman belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first named

Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said Clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

SECTION 3. The provisions of the second section shall apply to Clergymen ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church: *Provided*, that in such case, notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop under whose jurisdiction the Clergyman shall appear to have been last, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.

SECTION 4. Canon XL. of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON VII.

Of Clerical Residence and Removal.

[Repealed by Canon VI. of 1856.]

Done in General Convention in the City of Cincinnati, October, 1850.

By order of the House of Bishops,

PHILANDER CHASE, D.D., Presiding Bishop.

Attested, JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D.D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D.D., President.

Attested, M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE, D.D., Secretary.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION IN NEW YORK, OCTOBER, 1858.

CANON I.

the abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon.

[n all cases where a Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon of this urch, without availing himself of the provisions of nons II. and V. of 1850, has abandoned her Communion shall hereafter abandon it, either by an open renuncia- n of the Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of this urch, or by a formal admission into any religious body t in Communion with the same: such Bishop, Presbyter, Deacon shall be held, *ipso facto*, as deposed to all intents l purposes; and shall thereupon be pronounced deposed; a Presbyter or Deacon, by the Bishop having jurisdiction, th the consent of the Standing Committee; and if a shop, by the Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the jority of the Members of the House of Bishops. And tice of such deposition shall be given as in like cases.

CANON II.

the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

[n any proceedings against a Presbyter or Deacon under non I. of 1853 by his Bishop, whenever the abandon- nt charged shall not be evidenced by writing signed by party, he shall have three months' notice, to be given in h manner as may be prescribed by the Bishop, that his position will be pronounced unless cause be shown to the trary.

CANON III.

Bishops absent from their Dioceses because of Sickness, or other sufficient reason.

[t shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese, who is out to leave, or has left his Diocese, with the intention of ng out of the limits of the United States, or of remain- ; out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months,

although without leaving the United States, to authorize by writing under his hand and seal, the Assistant Bishop, or should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical authority thereof. The Assistant Bishop or Standing Committee so authorized, shall thereupon become the Ecclesiastical authority of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes until such writing shall be revoked or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese: *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed, as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction himself, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal Offices for him.

CANON IV.

Of a Registrar of the General Convention.

SECTION 1. The Journals, files, papers, reports and other documents, which, under the Canon "Of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church," or in any other manner, shall become the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed to the keeping of a presbyter, to be elected by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies upon nomination by the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports and other documents now in existence; to arrange, label, file, index and otherwise put in order and provide for the safe keeping of the same, and of all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in fireproof box or boxes, in some safe and accessible place of deposit; and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the General Convention may from time to time provide.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a proper and sufficient book of record, and to enter therein a record of the Consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner now practicable; and to take care for

he similar record and authentication of all future Consecrations in this Church.

SECTION 4. The expenses necessary for the purposes contemplated by this Canon, shall be provided for by vote of he General Convention, and defrayed by the Treasurer of he same.

CANON V.

Of the Ordination of Deacons.

[Repealed by Canon IV. of 1856.]

CANON VI.

Of the Learning of those who are to be Ordained Priests.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1856.]

CANON VII.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Repealed by Canon III. of 1856.]

CANON VIII.

Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.

[Repealed by Canon V. of 1856.]

CANON IX.

Of the officiating of Ministers of this Church, and of the Formation of Parishes within the Parochial Cures of other Clergymen.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1792, the fifth and seventh of 1795, the thirty-third of 1808, the seventh of 1829, and the thirty-first of 1832.]

SECTION 1. No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the Parish or within the Parochial Cure of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish, or Cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority thereof.

SECTION 2. Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law or otherwise, they shall, for the purposes of the foregoing section, be settled and defined by the civil divisions of the State as follows:—1. If a city, village, town, township, or incorporated borough, or any ward, district or other subdivision of either of the same, shall contain but one

Church or Congregation, the Minister having charge of such Church or Congregation shall be deemed to have the Parochial Cure within the same. 2. Any city, village, town, township, or incorporated borough, or the smallest subdivision of either of the same, in which there are two or more Churches or Congregations, shall be deemed the Parochial Cure of the ministers of such Churches or Congregations, and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary.

SECTION 3. If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services to his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his Cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before mentioned authority, to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECTION 4. A new Parish may be established, or a new Church or Congregation organized, within the limits of any Parish whose limits are prescribed by express law, or otherwise, or within the limits of any city, town, village, or incorporated borough, or any subdivision of either of the same, in the following manner:—1. Upon the written consent of the Minister or Rector having charge of a Church or Congregation within such limits, where there shall be but one Church or Congregation with a Minister in charge thereof, or of the Wardens and Vestry of said Church or Congregation, or a majority thereof, where such Church or Congregation is without a Minister. 2. Where there are more Churches or Congregations than one, and less than four, within such limits, upon the written consent of a majority of such Ministers. 3. And where the number of such Churches or Congregations shall exceed three, then, upon the written consent of the Ministers of the two Churches or Congregations whose places of public worship shall be nearest to the place proposed as the place of wor-

) of such new parishioners. The written consent in the pre-ing cases shall be filed with the Secretary of the Standing nmittee. 4. In each of the preceding cases the consent, writing, of the Ecclesiastical authority must be given to establishment of such new Parish. 5. If the consent the Minister or Ministers aforesaid is denied or withheld, plication may be made to the Ecclesiastical authority of Diocese for the establishment of such new Parish, of ich application one month's previous notice shall be en to the Minister or Ministers whose consent is so denied withheld. The decision of the Ecclesiastical authority, n favor of the application, shall be final; but if other-e, the case shall be reported to the Convention of the ocese (with the reasons for withholding an assent) for the al action of that body.

SECTION 5. Canon XXXI. of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON X.

Of Missionary Bishops within the United States.

[Repealed by Canon X. of 1856.]

CANON XI.

Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the General Conven-n, at each Triennial Session, on the nomination of the nding Committee on the State of the Church, to appoint e Laymen of this Church to constitute a Board of Trustees the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the said Trustees to e charge of all contributions of money or real estate ich may be made to them, and accompanied with desig-ion by the donors thereof, for any or either of the purposes ein specified, viz: 1. For the present support of any ssionary Bishop of this Church: 2. For investment; the erest or proceeds to be applied to such present support: For the support of Bishops of this Church in new and cent Dioceses, or in regions in which the Church is not anized: 4. For the endowment of the Episcopate in w Dioceses, or in regions in which the Church is not anized.

SECTION 3. All contributions, the disposition of which y not have been designated by the donors, shall be applied the said Board of Trustees, according to their discretion,

for the above named objects, until the direction of the General Convention in the premises.

SECTION 4. All moneys received by either of the Missionary Committees of the Board of Missions specifically for either of the purposes designated in this Canon, shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, accompanied by a statement of the directions of the donors.

SECTION 5. The Board of Trustees hereby constituted shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall keep fair accounts of all the receipts and payments of the Board. These accounts shall at all times be open to the inspection of any Bishop of this Church, or of any accountant appointed for the purpose by any three Bishops of this Church. The Board shall have power to make all necessary payments and disbursements in the discharge of their trust.

SECTION 6. The Board shall make a Triennial Report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on the third day of the Session of the General Convention; and shall accompany the Report with an account of their receipts and payments during the last three years. It shall be the duty of the House to refer such account to a Committee to be audited.

SECTION 7. Said Trustees are hereby empowered to procure an act of incorporation for the purposes and objects specified in this Canon.

CANON XII.

Of the mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eleventh of 1804, the forty-fifth of 1808, the third of 1814, the first and third of 1820, the fifty-first of 1832, the seventh of 1835, and the eighth of 1841.]

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a Statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools

in his Parish, also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions, diocesan, domestic, and foreign, for parochial schools, for church purposes in general and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

SECTION 2. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the journals.

SECTION 3. At every General Convention the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz., Episcopal Charges, Addresses and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the State of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his Congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the Journals or other Ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Depu-

ties, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

SECTION 5. It is recommended that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee only, prepare previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report, and a tabular view of the State of the Church in their Diocese, comprising therein a summary of the statistics from the Parochial Reports, and from the Bishop's Addresses, specifying the capitals and proceeds of the Episcopal Fund, and of all benevolent and Missionary associations of Churchmen within the Diocese, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in drafting their reports.

SECTION 6. Canon VIII. of 1841 is hereby repealed.

CANON XIII.

Of Removal of Communicants from one Parish to another.

A Communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a Certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing, and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter be produced.

CANON XIV.

Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.

[Repealed by Canon VII. of 1856.]

CANON XV.

Of the Expenses of General Conventions.

[Repealed by Canon VIII. of 1856.]

Done in General Convention, in the City of New York, October, 1853.

By order of the House of Bishops,

THOS. CHURCH BROWNELL, D.D., LL.D.,
Presiding Bishop.

Attested: LEWIS P. W. BALCH, D.D., *Secretary.*

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D.D., *President.*

Attested: M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE, D.D., *Secretary.*

Canons

ED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1856.

CANON I.

Of Episcopal Residence.

ON 1. It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church e within his Diocese.

CANON II.

Of Episcopal Visitations.

Canons on this subject were the third of 1789, the first of he fourth of 1801, the twentieth of 1808, the twenty-fifth of nd fourth of 1850.]

ION 1. Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the s within his Diocese, at least once in three years, for ose of examining the State of his Church, inspecting avior of his clergy, administering the apostolic rite irmation, ministering the Word, and if he think fit, istering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the committed to his charge. And if a Bishop shall for more than three years to visit a Parish or Congre- or reasons which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall luty of the Rector, or Minister and Vestry, or of one , to apply to the Presiding Bishop to appoint the hops, in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the in which such Church or Congregation may be sit- o act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably ne all matters of difference between the parties, and rty shall conform to the decision of the Council in nises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation above may be, then the application shall be made to the next in seniority. And in any such case as is above ied, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish gregation may be, may at any time, if he please, imself to the Presiding Bishop for a Council of Con- . *Provided*, that if, by the action of the General tion, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the hment of a Council, or Councils of Conciliation, for eral purpose of amicably reconciling differences of

this or any other kind, then such a case as is above named shall be referred to such general Council of Conciliation, and the parties shall abide by its decision.

SECTION 2. To enable the Bishop, who may be Rector of a Church, to make his official visitation, it shall be the duty of the Clergy in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

SECTION 3. It is left to each Diocese to make provision in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitation.

SECTION 4. The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

SECTION 5. Canon IV. of 1850 is hereby repealed.

CANON III.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795, the seventh of 1804, the seventh of 1808, the eighth of 1820, the first of 1823, the Canon of 1826, the ninth of 1832, the fourth of 1838, the ninth of 1841, the sixth of 1847, and the seventh of 1853. Also the sixth of 1804, the seventeenth of 1808, the fourth and fifth of 1820, the first of 1829, the twenty-first and twenty-fourth of 1832, the third of 1835, and the seventh of 1838. Also the eighth of 1808, and the tenth of 1832. Also the tenth of 1804, the nineteenth of 1808, and the eleventh of 1832. Also the eighth of 1804, the fourteenth of 1808, and the sixteenth of 1832, Also the sixth of 1838. Also the ninth of 1834, the sixteenth of 1808, and the twelfth of 1832.]

SECTION 1. All persons seeking admission to the Ministry of this Church, are to be regarded as Candidates for Holy Orders.

SECTION 2. Every person who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he intends to apply, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese. No person who has previously applied for admission as a Candidate in any Diocese, and has been refused admission, or having been admitted has afterwards ceased to be a Candidate, shall be admitted as a Candidate in any other Diocese, until he shall have produced from the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee of the former Diocese, a certificate declaring the

cause for which he was refused admission, or for which he ceased to be a Candidate.

SECTION 3. A person, desirous of becoming a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop, or Ecclesiastical authority, shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese.

SECTION 4. No person shall be considered as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop, to whom he intends to apply for Orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that from personal knowledge or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober and honest: that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, a Communicant of the same, and in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the Ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter and four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECTION 5. It ought also to be made known to every Candidate for whatever Order of the Ministry, that the Church expects of him what never can be brought to the test of any outward standard; an inward fear and worship of Almighty God, a love of religion, and a sensibility of its holy influence, a habit of devout affection, and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influences can be manifested.

SECTION 6. The requisitions of this Canon being fulfilled the Bishop may admit the person as a Candidate for Orders and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the Candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a Candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECTION 7. It is hereby declared, that the Canons of

this Church which respect Candidates for Holy Orders, shall affect as well those coming from places in the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to, as those residing in States or Territories in which it has been adopted; and in such cases every Candidate shall produce to the Bishop to whom he may apply for Holy Orders the requisite testimonials subscribed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese into which he has come.

SECTION 8. When a person who, not having had Episcopal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an Ordained Minister or licentiate among any other denomination of Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this Church, he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides; or if he resides in a State or Territory in which there is no organized Diocese, to the Missionary Bishop within whose jurisdiction he resides; which notice shall be accompanied with a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that, from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he has belonged, has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

SECTION 9. If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall think proper to proceed, the party applying to be received as a Candidate, shall produce to the Standing Committee a testimonial from at least twelve members of the Denomination from which he came, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, in part of the Denomination from which he came, and in part Episcopalians, satisfactory to the Committee, that the applicant has for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and also, a testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, that they believe him to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Church. The Standing Committee being satisfied on these points, may recommend him to the Bishop to be received as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, or, in a vacant Diocese, the Standing Committee may so receive him.

SECTION 10. When any person not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an Ordained Minister among any other Denomination of Christians, shall apply to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications,) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

SECTION 11. The Bishop or other Ecclesiastical authority who may have the superintendence of Candidates for Orders shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently, and under proper direction, and that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most liable to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become those who are preparing for the Holy Ministry.

SECTION 12. No Candidate for Holy Orders shall take upon himself to perform the Service of the Church, but by a license from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Candidate may wish to perform the Service. And such Candidate shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop or said Clerical members may prescribe; he shall not use the Absolution or Benediction; he shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergyman ministering to the Congregation: and shall officiate from the Desk only; he shall conform to the directions of the Bishop or said Clerical Members, as to the sermons or homilies to be read; nor shall any Lay Reader deliver sermons of his own composition: nor, except in case of extraordinary emergency, or very peculiar expediency, perform any part of the Service, when a Clergyman is present in the Congregation.

SECTION 13. No person who is a Candidate for Holy Orders in this Church, shall be permitted to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

SECTION 14. A Candidate for Orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a Candidate, be transferred to the jurisdiction of any Bishop in this Church, and if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the Candidate

resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for Ordination without the permission of the former.

SECTION 15. Candidates shall not change their Canonical residence but for *bona fide* causes requiring the same, to be judged of by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

SECTION 16. No Bishop shall Ordain any Candidate until he has inquired of him whether he has ever, directly or indirectly, applied for Orders in any other Diocese; and if the Bishop has reason to believe that the Candidate has been refused Orders in any other Diocese, he shall write to the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, to know whether any just cause exists why the Candidate should not be Ordained. When any Bishop rejects the application of any Candidate for Orders, he shall immediately give notice to the Bishop of every Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

SECTION 17. Canons XI., XII., and XVI. of 1832, VI. and VII. of 1838, and VII. of 1853, are hereby repealed.

CANON IV.

Of Deacons.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789, the fourth of 1792, the second of 1795, the twelfth of 1808, and the fifteenth of 1832. Also the thirteenth of 1808, and the seventeenth of 1832. Also the sixth of 1804, the seventeenth of 1808, the fourth and fifth of 1820, the first of 1829, the twenty-first and twenty-fourth of 1832, the third of 1835, and the seventh of 1838. Also the sixth of 1844, the fifth of 1847, and the fifth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. Every person hereafter to be Ordained Deacon in this Church shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters, whose duty it shall be to ascertain that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures, and the Book of Common Prayer, and who shall inquire into his fitness for the ministrations declared in the Ordinal to appertain to the office of a Deacon, and be satisfied thereof.

SECTION 2. No person shall be entitled to such examination, until he shall have remained a Candidate for Orders at least one year, and shall have presented to the Bishop a

testimonial from at least one Rector of a parish, signifying a belief that he is well qualified to minister in the Office of a Deacon, to the glory of God and the edification of the Church.

SECTION 3. Candidates who not having Episcopal Ordination, have been acknowledged as Ordained or Licensed Ministers among any other denomination of Christians, may, at the expiration of not less than six months from their admission as Candidates, be Ordained Deacons on their passing the same examinations as other Candidates for Deacon's Orders; and in the examinations, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence they come differs from the Church, with a view of testing their information and soundness in the same, and also to the ascertaining that they are adequately acquainted with the Liturgy and Offices of this Church; *provided*, that in their case the testimonials shall be required to cover only the time since their admission as Candidates for Orders.

SECTION 4. No person shall be ordained Deacon in this Church, unless he exhibit to the Bishop testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:

"We, whose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B. has laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past, he has lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and has not written, taught or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons, in witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

SECTION 5. But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any Candidate as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such Candidate shall produce from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, or from the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant, or if there be no Vestry, from at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct in the following form:

"We, whose names are hereunto written do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B. for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly: and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

He shall also lay before the Standing Committee testimonials, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form:

"I do certify that A. B. for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and has not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this —— day of —— in the year of our Lord ——."

SECTION 6. But in case a Candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, should be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable Presbyter of the said Church, who has been personally acquainted with the Candidate for at least one year.

SECTION 7. Every Candidate for Holy Orders, who may be recommended by the Standing Committee of any Church destitute of a Bishop, if he have resided for the greater part of the three years last past within the Diocese of any Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for Ordination. And such Candidate shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be Ordained.

SECTION 8. When any person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained or licensed Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for Orders in this Church, the Bishop, to whom application is made, shall require of him, (in addition to the above qualifications,) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

SECTION 9. No Deacon shall be settled over a Parish or Congregation, until he shall have satisfactorily passed the three examinations required for Priest's Orders. No Deacon shall officiate in any Parish or Congregation, without the express consent of the Rector for the time being, where there is a Rector; nor in any case without the assent of the Bishop; and when officiating in the Parish or Congregation of a Rector, he shall be entirely subject to the direction of such Rector in all his ministrations.

SECTION 10. No Deacon who shall not have passed the examinations required for Priest's Orders, shall be transferred to another Diocese, without the written request of the Bishop to whose jurisdiction he is to be transferred.

SECTION 11. Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulations of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is ordained, unless he receive letters of dismission therefrom to the Bishop, or Ecclesiastical authority of some other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a Clergyman of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate in such places as the Bishop or the said Clerical Members may direct.

SECTION 12. A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Orders, as specified in the Office for Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to ecclesiastical censure.

SECTION 13. Canons XV. and XVII, of 1832, and V. of 1853, are hereby repealed.

CANON V.

Of the Ordination of Priests.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789, the fourth of 1792, the second of 1795, the twelfth of 1808, and the fifteenth of 1832. Also the fifth of 1789, the thirteenth of 1808, and the nineteenth of 1832. Also the seventh of 1789, altered in 1792, the fourth of 1799, the second of 1801, the ninth of 1808, the thirteenth of 1832, the fifth of 1838, and the sixth of 1853. Also the sixth of 1795, the seventh of 1804, the seventh of 1808, the eighth of 1820, the first of 1823, the Canon of 1826, the ninth of 1832, the fourth of 1838, the ninth of 1841, the sixth of 1847, and the seventh of 1853. Also the eleventh of 1808, the eighteenth of 1832, and the eighth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. Every Deacon of this Church may be admitted by the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, (on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, or where there is no Bishop, by the Standing Committee,) a Candidate for Priest's Orders; provided he have the qualifications hereinafter required.

A Candidate for Deacon's Orders may, in like manner and upon the same terms, be admitted a Candidate for Priest's Orders; provided he do not require the dispensation hereinafter allowed. But no person shall be ordained Priest, until he has been a Deacon one year.

SECTION 2. No person shall be ordained Priest in this Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop and Presbyters, by whom he shall be examined, that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures; can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek; is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue; and that he hath a competent knowledge of Natural and Moral Philosophy, and Church History, and hath paid attention to Composition and Pulpit Eloquence, as a means of giving additional efficiency to his labors; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, has dispensed with the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of knowledge not strictly ecclesiastical, in consideration of such other qualifications for the Gospel Ministry as are set forth in Section 4, of this Canon. The dispensation with the knowledge of the Hebrew language to be regarded as in that Section.

SECTION 3. Every person wishing to become a Candidate for Priest's Orders, must lay before the Standing Committee

a satisfactory Diploma, or other satisfactory evidence, that he is a graduate of some University or College, or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Greek Testament and the Latin tongue.

SECTION 4. When a Deacon, applying to be admitted a Candidate for Priest's Orders, wishes a knowledge of the Latin, Greek and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning, not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a Candidate until he has laid before them a testimonial signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence, and the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall have granted the dispensation. But in regard to a knowledge of the Hebrew language, in all cases the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation.

SECTION 5. If, after obtaining the Canonical testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a Candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a Candidate for the term of three years before his Ordination as Priest, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the Candidate, after the expiration of a shorter period not less than one year.

SECTION 6. Every person who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other Denomination, and has been received as a Candidate for Priest's Orders in this Church, may be allowed by the Bishop, with the consent of the members of the Standing Committee, the period of time during which he has been a Student of Theology, or Candidate in such other Denomination: provided the time so allowed does not exceed two years.

SECTION 7. No person shall be Ordained Priest in this Church, unless he exhibit to the Bishop, testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be Ordained, which shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:

"We whose names are hereunto written, testify that A. B., hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not written, taught, or held, any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our Hands, this —— day of ——, in the Year of Our Lord ——."

SECTION 8. But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any Candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such Candidate shall produce from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, or if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, a Deacon desirous of Priest's Orders, from the Vestry alone, testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, in the form prescribed in the Fifth Section of the Canon entitled "Of Deacons," only changing the word "Deacons" wherever it occurs, for Priests. Under the circumstances mentioned in the Sixth Section of that Canon, or if there should be no Vestry, the certificate provided for in that Section, may be substituted for that above mentioned.

SECTION 9. In the case of a Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been Ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders, as have elapsed since his Ordination as Deacon; and the Standing Committee shall allow the testimonials so altered the same effect as if in the form prescribed, and shall sign their own testimonial in such altered form, with the same effect as if in the form above prescribed, unless some circumstance shall have occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence, on which the Candidate was Ordained Deacon.

SECTION 10. No person shall be Ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory Certificate from some Church, Parish, or Congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their Minister, or unless he be a Missionary under the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs, or in the employment of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or, unless he be engaged as a Professor, Tutor,

or Instructor of Youth, in some College, Academy, or other Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated.

SECTION 11. There shall be assigned to every Candidate for Priest's Orders, three different examinations, at such times and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for Orders shall appoint. The examinations shall take place in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies, prescribed by the Canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At the *first* examination, on the Books of Scripture, the Candidate being required to give an account of the different Books, and to translate from the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. At the *second* examination on the Evidences of Christianity and Systematic Divinity. And at the last examination, on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and of the Diocese for which he is to be Ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the Candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations, he shall produce and read a Sermon or Discourse composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture previously assigned him, which, together with two other Sermons, or Discourses, on some passage of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticisms of the Bishop and Clergy present. And before his Ordination, he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the Service of the Church, and delivering his Sermons with propriety and devotion. Such examinations may take place either before or after the admission of the Candidate to Deacon's Orders. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed to require any person who has already passed any examination to repeat the same.

SECTION 12. The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations: and a certificate from these Presbyters, that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly and satisfaction given, shall be required of the Candidate; provided that, in this case, the Candidate shall, before his Ordination, be examined by the

Bishop and two or more Presbyters on the above named studies.

SECTION 13. In a Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall act in his place in appointing the examining Presbyters required by this Canon. And in this case the Candidate shall be again examined by the Bishop to whom he applies for Orders and two or more Presbyters, on the studies above prescribed by the Canons.

SECTION 14. If any Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third examination held (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a Candidate.

SECTION 15. No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate as a Priest in any Congregation or Church destitute of a Bishop, situated without the jurisdiction of these United States, until the usual testimony from the Standing Committee, founded upon sufficient evidence of his soundness in the faith, and of his pious and moral character, has been obtained, nor until the Candidate has been examined on the studies prescribed by the Canons of this Church. And should any such Clergyman, so Ordained, wish to settle in any Congregation of this Church, he must obtain a special license therefor from the Bishop, and officiate as a probationer for at least one year.

SECTION 16. A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Orders, as specified in the office for Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to Ecclesiastical censure.

SECTION 17. Canons XVIII., XIX. and XXII. of 1832, and VI. and VIII. of 1853, are hereby repealed.

CANON VI.

Of Clerical Residences and Removals.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifth of 1844 and the seventh of 1850.]

SECTION 1. A Minister of this Church removing within the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other Ecclesiastical authority, shall, in order to gain Canonical residence in the

same, present to said Ecclesiastical authority a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true Standing and Character.

SECTION 2. The testimonial may be in the following form:

"I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical authority of ———, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of ———, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion or viciousness of life for three years last past."

SECTION 3. All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dimissory. No such letter shall affect a Minister's Canonical residence until, after having been presented according to its address, it shall have been accepted, and notification of such acceptance given to the authority whence it proceeded. The residence of the Minister so transferred, shall date from the acceptance of his letter of transfer. If not presented within three months after its date, it may be considered as void by the authority whence it proceeded; and shall be so considered, unless it be presented within six months.

SECTION 4. If a Minister removing into another Diocese, who has been called to take charge of a Parish or Congregation, shall present a testimonial, in the form set out in the Second Section of this Canon, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard rumors, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of Canonical inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and in such case it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical authority to accept the testimonial unless and until the Minister shall be exculpated from the said charges.

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of all Ministers, except Professors in the General Theological Seminary, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains in the Army and Navy, to obtain and present letters of transfer, as above

described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, and remain therein for the space of six months,

SECTION 6. Canon VII. of 1850, is hereby repealed.

CANON VII.

Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.

[Former Canons on this subject were the seventeenth of 1789, the third of 1799, the first of 1804, the twenty-ninth of 1808, the second of 1814, the thirtieth of 1832, and the fourteenth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. It is hereby required, that on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

"We, the Church Wardens (or, *in case of an Assistant Minister,*) We, the Rector and Church Wardens,) do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop*) or to the Rev. (*naming the President of the Standing Committee*) that, (*naming the person,*) has been duly chosen Rector, (*or* Assistant Minister, *as the case may be*) of (*naming the Parish, or Church, or Churches.*")

Which Certificate shall be signed with the names of those who certify.

SECTION 2. If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said Certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

SECTION 3. And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop or President of the Standing Committee may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted, according to the Office established by this Church, if that Office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a Deacon, the Act of Institution shall not take place until after he shall have received Priest's Orders. This provision concerning the use of the Office of Institution, is not to be considered as applying to any Congregation destitute of a House of Worship.

SECTION 4. No Minister removing from one Diocese or

Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister, or assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify, that the Rev. A. B. has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a Minister in regular standing."

SECTION 5. No Minister shall officiate transiently in a vacant Parish, or in one the Rector or Minister of which is sick or absent, unless the Wardens or Vestry are satisfied he is at the time a Minister in good and regular standing. When from another Diocese, letters commendatory from the Ecclesiastical authority thereof may be required.

SECTION 6. Canon XIV. of 1853 is hereby repealed.

CANON VIII.

Of the Expenses of General Conventions.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifty-fourth of 1832, the eighth of 1835, the tenth of 1838, the first of 1844, and the fifteenth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. In order that the contingent expenses of General Conventions may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, on or before September first preceding the sessions of the General Convention, two dollars for each Clergyman within said Diocese.

SECTION 2. Canon XV. of 1853 is hereby repealed.

CANON IX.

Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the Office of Diocesan Bishop.

SECTION 1. When a Diocese entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan a Missionary Bishop of this Church: if such election have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

SECTION 2. If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election, to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops, and a majority of the Standing Committees, in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of each vacant Diocese, which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected; and also, cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

SECTION 3. Canon III. of 1841 is hereby repealed.

CANON X.

Of Missionary Bishops within the United States.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1835, the second of 1838, the eighth of 1841, and the tenth of 1853.]

SECTION 1. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States or Territories not organized into Dioceses. The evidence of such election shall be a Certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the form required by Canon III. of 1832, to be given by the members of Diocesan Conventions, on the recommendation of Bishops elect for consecration, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

SECTION 2. The Bishop or Bishops so elected and consecrated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such States and Territories, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and under such regulations and instructions,

not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe.

SECTION 3. The jurisdiction of this Church, extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted, that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the District assigned him; and may, in case a presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, request the action of any Presbyters and Standing Committee in any Diocese sufficiently near, and the presentment and trial shall be according to the Constitution and Canons of said Diocese. Or if there be such a Standing Committee appointed by the Missionary Bishop as hereinafter provided for, the Clerical members thereof may make presentment, and the trial shall take place, according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of such Standing Committee; provided that the court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee and the accused. And the House of Bishops may at any time increase or diminish the number of States or Territories over which the said Bishops or Bishops shall exercise Episcopal functions. And in case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, the charge of the vacant Missionary Episcopate shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

SECTION 4. Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Canon shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating his Missionary appointment, provided that he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

SECTION 5. Every such Bishop may yearly appoint two Presbyters and two Laymen, Communicants of this Church resident within his Missionary jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such jurisdiction; provided that no Standing Committee constituted under this

Canon shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

SECTION 6. Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church in said States and Territories of the United States, and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions.

SECTION VII. Canon X. of 1853, is hereby repealed.

CANON XI.

Of the Trial of a Bishop.

[The former Canons on this subject were the fourth of 1841, and the third of 1844.]

SECTION 1. Any Bishop of the Church may be presented for trial on charges for the following offences, viz:—1. Crime or immorality. 2. Holding and teaching publicly, or privately and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. 3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention. 4. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs. 5. Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination or Consecration vows.

SECTION 2. The proceedings shall commence by charges in writing: and, except when the charge is holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, shall be signed by either—1. Five male communicants of this Church in good standing belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom two at least must be Presbyters; or, 2. By seven Male Communicants of this Church in good standing, of whom two at least shall be Presbyters, and three of which seven shall belong to the Diocese of the accused. 3. Whenever a Bishop of this Church shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, if he please, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may select, demand of the presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, if he be the Bishop affected by such rumors, or if he be related to him within the degrees hereinafter mentioned, then to the Bishop next in seniority not so related, to convene a Board of Inquiry in the mode herein, after set forth, to investigate such rumors, reports and

charges; and to proceed in all respects, according to the provisions of this Canon, as if charges had been formally made in either of the two modes first mentioned in this section.

Whenever charges are formally made in either of the modes first above mentioned, the accusers may, if they choose, select a Lay Communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as their adviser, advocate and agent, in preparing the accusation, proofs, &c., until such time as a Board of Inquiry is convened in such manner as is hereinafter provided for; or they may prepare such charges themselves, without regard to any particular form: and, in either case, the grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstance.

SECTION 3. The charges having been prepared in either of the modes first above mentioned shall then be delivered to the presiding Bishop of the Church, if he be not the accused nor related to the accused in any degree mentioned here after in this Canon; in either of which cases, the charges shall be delivered to the next Bishop in seniority, not so related.

SECTION 4. A Board for making a preliminary inquiry into charges thus preferred shall be constituted as follows, whenever such Board shall be necessary, viz:—

The presiding Bishop or senior Bishop, as the case may be, to whom such charges are delivered, shall take the list of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the last General Convention that was held before such charges are presented, and from that list shall choose by lot, two Presbyters and two Laymen from the deputation of the Diocese of the accused Bishop, and two Presbyters and two Laymen from each of the respective deputations of the three Dioceses adjoining that of the accused, together with the Diocese of the accused; and if there be not three adjoining, of the three nearest thereto; and if more than three Dioceses adjoin that of the accused, those three that have the largest number of Canonically resident Presbyters in them shall be accounted adjoining for the purposes of this Canon. And the sixteen individuals thus selected by lot, shall constitute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for doing business.

The presiding Bishop, or next in seniority as the case may be, immediately after thus selecting by lot, the Board of Inquiry shall give notice thereof to each member of said Board, and direct him to attend at a time and place desig-

nated by him and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The presiding Bishop shall, at the same time, send a copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church Advocate, who must be a Lay Communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church; and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private: the Church Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

In conducting the investigation the Board shall hear the accusations and such proof as the accusers may produce; and shall determine whether upon matters of law and of fact as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by an Ecclesiastical Court, now authorized or hereafter to be authorized by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. If a majority of the Board present on such investigation, shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to put the accused Bishop on his trial, they shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment to be signed by such of the Board as agree thereto; and to that end shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony, that has been laid before the Board.

The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed: and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop on his trial, in such case the charges, together with a cer-

tificate of the President of the Board, of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, to be deposited among the Archives of that House. And no proceedings shall thereafter be had by way of presentment on such charges, except upon the affidavit of a respectable Communicant of the Church, of the discovery of new testimony as to the facts charged, and setting forth what such testimony is.

No presentment shall be found in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the Presiding or Senior Bishop. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a State Court, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be founded on charges delivered to the Presiding or Senior Bishop at any time within one year after such conviction.

SECTION 5. When a presetment has been made by the Board of Inquiry, or a majority thereof, to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, it shall be the duty of such Bishop forthwith to give to the accused written notice to attend at some place not more than one hundred miles from the place of residence of the accused Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty days after the time of serving such notice, either personally, or by some Agent, authorized by him, in writing, to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. He shall also give notice of the time and place appointed for such selection to the Church Advocate. At the time and place appointed in the notices, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend, and in the presence of the accused Bishop, or of his Agent, authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such person or persons as may attend in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by himself, the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, then being within the territory of the United States, except the accused, and those Bishops who may be related to him either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall then

cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused or his agent may strike off the list one name, and the said Church Advocate or his Agent another name, and so on alternately, until the number be reduced to seven. If it shall happen that either party shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the Bishop, who has given the notices, shall reduce the number to seven by striking off so many of the last-drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Bishops whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

The Court having been thus constituted, the Bishop to whom the presentment was made, shall immediately communicate to each Bishop who has thus been by lot designated as one of the triers, the fact that he is a Member of the Court. He shall also appoint a time and place for the assembling of the Court. The time shall not be less than two, nor more than six calendar months from the day on which the notice should arrive at the most distant Diocese, in the ordinary course of the public mail. The place shall be within the Diocese or Missionary field of the accused Bishop, unless where the same may be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the Presiding or Senior Bishop, that reasonable convenience may require the appointment of another location. And the said Senior Bishop shall cause the Church Advocate to send certified copies of the said presentment to all the Bishops who constitute the Court.

The Bishop to whom the presentment has been made shall also immediately communicate to the accused the names of the members of the Court; and inform him of the time and place appointed for its meeting, and summon him, then and there to appear and answer. He or any other Bishop of this Church having charge of a Diocese, shall have power until the Court assembles, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, to issue a summons for witnesses.

SECTION 6. The Bishops who constitute the Court, or a majority of them, having assembled according to the notice given them, which notice it is hereby made their duty to obey, shall proceed as follows, viz: 1. They shall elect a President out of their own number, and appoint a Presbyter of the Church as Clerk, and if necessary, another Presbyter

as Assistant Clerk: and, when thus organized, the President shall direct the Clerk to call the names of the Church Advocate and the accused, and if both appear he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment, which was delivered to the presiding or Senior Bishop, whose duty it is hereby made to deliver the same to the Court upon its organization. 2. The accused shall then be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him, and his plea shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him and the trial shall proceed:—*Provided*, that for sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn from time to time: *And provided also*, that the accused shall at all times, during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order produce his testimony and to make his defence. 3. If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and notify him that sentence of suspension or degradation will be pronounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months, unless within that time he tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take his trial on the presentment. But if the accused shall not tender himself before the expiration of the said three months, sentence of suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, may be pronounced against him by the Court. 4. The accused being present and the trial proceeding, it shall be conducted according to the principles of the common law, as the same are generally administered in the United States; nor shall any testimony be received at the trial, except from witnesses who have signed a declaration in the following words, to be read aloud before the witness testifies, and to be filed with the records of the Court:

"I, A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a presentment against the Right Rev.——, a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnly call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; so help me God!" And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness which shall be

filed and transmitted, with his or her deposition to the Court. The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or, if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a Commissary to take the deposition of such witness: And such party so desiring to take the deposition, shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the Commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read, *Provided*, that, in any Diocese in which the Civil Government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws. 5. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper, on the Church Advocate and accused respectively. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day on which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed. 7. The accused may, if he think proper, have the aid of Council; and if he should choose to have more

than one Counsel, the Church Advocate may have Assistant Advocates to be named by the accusers; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of Counsel who shall address the Court or examine witnesses; the Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side and the accused on the other. All Counsel must be Communicants of the Church. 8. The Court having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively, whether in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment, in the order in which they are set forth; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court. The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications of which a majority of the members of the Court have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing and signed by those who assent to it; and a decision pronouncing him not guilty of all those charges and specifications of which a majority shall not have pronounced him guilty, shall also be drawn up and signed by those who assent to it; and the decision thus signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties if they shall think proper to attend. 9. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has anything to say before the sentence is passed, and may, in their discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence; and before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a belief that justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony: and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, according to a sound discretion, grant him a new trial. But in such new trial, no Bishop shall sit who has already been a trier. Before passing sentence, the accused shall always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation. 10. The accused having been heard, or not desiring to be heard, the sentence of the Court shall then be pronounced, and shall be either admonition, suspension as defined by the existing Canons of the Church, or

degradation, as the offence or offences adjudged to be proved shall seem to deserve. It shall be the duty of the Court whenever sentence has been pronounced, whether it be upon a trial, or for contumacy, to communicate such sentence to the Ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese of this Church; and it shall be the duty of such authority to cause such sentence to be made known to every Clergyman under his jurisdiction. 11. Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the whole evidence given before it. Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a statement of any testimony which has been received, or of any decision which the Court has made, or of any fact which has occurred in Court, or any paper which either party has produced, it shall be the right of either party to file an exception in writing, containing a statement of such evidence, decision, or fact, or referring to, or describing, such paper, which paper shall also be filed with the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed shall become parts of the record. 12. Such records shall be kept by the Clerk and inserted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, shall be deposited with the Registrar of the General Convention. Such books and papers shall be open to the inspection of every member of the Church. 13. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Canon, may be attended by one or more Lay Advisers, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such Advisers may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but they shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give in person to the Court an opinion on any question, not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of votes. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, appoint an Adviser or Advisers. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they all shall be Advisers; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

SECTION 7. 1. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for holding and teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, by any Bishop in communion with this Church,

l not under suspension or degradation. No Bishop shall be sented in any other mode for this offence; and it shall not lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such pre- tment. The Bishop making such presentment shall point a Church Advocate. 2. Every presentment for ged erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person king it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the otestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and livered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the use of Bishops, and not being the accused or the accuser, ose duty it shall be to convene a court for the trial of the used. The court shall be composed of all the Bishops titled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser d the accused. Three-fourths of such Bishops shall con- tute a quorum, but the consent of two-thirds of all the shops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall be cessary to a conviction.

SECTION 8. 1. If charges are preferred against a Mission- y Bishop who is not a Diocesan, such Missionary Bishop all be required by the presiding or senior Bishop to name me one of the three Dioceses nearest to his District or ssionary field; and such selection having been made, the oceedings shall then be precisely such, as under this non they would be were he the Diocesan of the Diocese med by him. Should the Missionary Bishop refuse to me a Diocese, then the presiding Bishop may name y one of the three above designated, and the effect shal. the same as if the nomination had been made by the used Missionary Bishop. 2. If charges are preferred ainst a Bishop having no jurisdiction, he shall be proceeded ainst precisely as if he were the Diocesan of the Diocese which he has his civil residence.

SECTION 9. Canon III. of 1844 is hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the City of Philadelphia, October, 1856.

By Order of the House of Bishops.

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By Order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D.D., *President.*

ested: M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE, D.D., *Secretary.*

COURSE OF ECCLESIASTICAL STUDIES,

Established by the House of Bishops, in the Convention of 1804, *in pursuance of a Resolution of the preceding General Convention*

In attending to this subject a considerable difficulty occurs, arising out of the difference of the circumstances of Students, in regard not only to intellectual endowments and preparatory knowledge of Languages and Science, but to access to authors, and time to be devoted to a preparation for the Ministry. For, in accommodating to those whose means are slender, we are in danger of derogating from the importance of religious knowledge; while on the other hand, although we should demand all that is desirable, we shall be obliged to content ourselves, in some cases, with what is barely necessary.

In consideration of the above, it will be expedient to set down such a course of study, as is accommodated to a moderate portion of time and means, and afterwards to suggest provisions, as well for a more limited, as for a more enlarged share of both.

Let the Student be required to begin with some books in proof of the *Divine Authority of Christianity*, such as Grotius on the *Truth of the Christian Religion;* Jenkins on the *Reasonableness of Christianity;* Paley's *Evidences;* Leslie's *Methods with the Jews and Deists;* Stillingfleet's *Origines Sacræ;* and Butler's *Analogy.* To the above should be added some books which give a knowledge of the objections made by Deists. For this, Leland's *View* may be sufficient; except that it should be followed by answers to Deistical writers since Leland, whose works and the answers to them may be supposed known to the Student. It would be best, if circumstances permit, that he should read what the Deists themselves have written.

After the books in proof of Revelation, let the Student, previously to the reading of any System of Divinity, study the *Scriptures* with the help of some approved *Commentators*, such as Patrick and Lowth on the *Old Testament*, and Hammond, or Whitby, or Doddridge, on the *New;* being aware, in regard to the last mentioned author, of the points on which

he differs from our Church, although it be with moderation and candor. During such, his study of the Scriptures, let him read some work or works which give an account of the *design* of the different *books*, and the *grounds* on which their respective *authority* is asserted; for instance, Father Simon's *Canon of Scripture;* Collier's *Sacred Interpreter;* Gray's *Key to the Old Testament,* and Percy's *Key to the New.* Let the Student read the Scriptures, over and over, referring to his Commentators as need may require, until he can give an account of the *design* and *character* of each *book*, and explain the more *difficult passages* of it. He is supposed to know enough of *Profane History* to give an account of that also, whenever it mixes with the *Sacred.* There are certain important subjects which may be profitably attended to, as matters of distinct study, during the course of the general study of Scripture. For instance: the Student having proceeded as far as the *Deluge,* may read some other *author* who gives a larger *account* than the *Commentators* of the particulars attached to that crisis; and also the principles on which are founded the different systems of *Chronology*, all of which will be found clearly done in the *Universal History.* In reading the Book of *Leviticus*, it will be useful to attend to some connected scheme of the *Sacrifices;* such as is exhibited by Bishop Kidder, in his *Introduction to the Pentateuch*, and by Mr. Joseph Mede, in some of his Discourses. A more full and interesting interpretation of the *Prophecies* than can be expected from the Commentators, will be desirable, and for this purpose let Bishop Newton's *work* be taken. Between the study of the *Old Testament* and that of the *New*, should be read Prideaux's and Shuckford's *Connections.* With the *New Testament* should be taken some book relating to the *Harmony of the Gospels*, as McKnight's or Bishop Newcome's. Let the Student, before entering on the *Gospels*, read Dr. Campbell's *Introductory Dissertation.* Toward the close of the *Gospels* the subject of the *Resurrection* should be particularly attended to, for which purpose let there be taken either Mr. West on the subject, or Bishop Sherlock's *Trial of the Witnesses.*

After the Study of the Scriptures, let attention be given to *Ecclesiastical History*, so far as to the *Council of Nice.* This period is *distinctly* taken, from a desire that the *portion of History preceding it,* as well as the *opinions* then entertained, may be learned from *original writers*, which may be

considered as one of the best expedients for the guarding of the Student against many *errors of modern times*. The writers of that interval are not numerous or bulky. Eusebius is soon read through; and so are the Apostolic Fathers. Even the other writers are not voluminous, except Origen, the greater part of whose works may be passed over. The *Apostolic Fathers* may be read in Cotelerius' edition; but there are translations of most of them, by Archbishop Wake and the Rev. William Reeves. Cave's *Lives of the Apostles and Fathers* may be profitably read at this period.

This stage of the Student's progress seems the most proper for the *study* of the two questions of our Lord's *Divinity*, and of *Episcopacy*. The aspect of *early works* on these subjects, best enables us to ascertain in what shape they appear to the respective writers. And it is difficult to suppose, on the ground of what we know of human nature, that, during the first *three centuries*, either the *character* of CHRIST should have been conceived of as materially different from what had been the representation of it by the *first teachers* of our religion; or, that there should have been a material change of *Church Government*, without opposition to the innovation. For the *former* question, let the works of Bishop Bull and the Rev. Charles Leslie be taken, to which may well be added the late controversy between Bishop Horsley and Dr. Priestly; and for the *latter*, Mr. Hooker's *Ecclesiastical Polity*, Archbishop Potter on *Church Government*, and Daubeny's *Guide to the Church*. As the Lord Chancellor King published a book on the *Discipline of the Primitive Church*, in which he has rested Episcopacy on insufficient grounds, unwarily admitted by many on his authority, let the Student read his book and the refutation of it in Mr. Slater's *Original Draft of the Primitive Church*.

After this, let the Student go on with the *History of the Fourth Century*, from Mosheim. But it will be of advantage to him to turn to Fleury's *History*, for the *epitomes* there given of the writings of the eminent men who abounded in *that century* and part of the *next*. Let him then return to Mosheim, and go on with that writer to the *Reformation*. Here let him pause and study, as the main hinges of *Popery*, its pretences to *supremacy* and *infallibility*, on which there will be found satisfactory matter in Mr. Chillingworth's *Religion of Protestants a safe Way to Salvation*, and Dr. Barrow's *Treatise of the Pope's Supremacy*. Here, alo, let

there be read Father Paul's *History of the Council of Trent.* Then let the Student resume Mosheim. But it will be best if, for a more minute knowledge of the *History of the Church of England* since the *Reformatoin*, he takes along with him Collier's *History*, a very able work, but in the reading of which some allowance must be made for peculiar prejudices. On coming, in the reign of Elizabeth, to the questions which arose between the *Divines* of the *Established Church* and the *Presbyterians*, then known by the name of *Puritans*, let recourse be again had to Mr. Hooker's work, and to the *London Cases.* Then let Mosheim be proceeded with to the end.

After these studies, and not before, let *Divinity* be read in a *systematic* method. Bishop Pearson's *Exposition of the Creed* may be considered as a small system, and, on account of the excellence of the work, is recommended; as also, Bishop Burnet's *Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles.* Then let a larger system be taken; suppose Stackhouse's *Body of Divinity*, with the addition of the following modern works: *Elements of Christian Theology*, by the present Bishop of Lincoln, and *The Scholar Armed.* That many works of this sort are not mentioned, is because we think their utility is principally confined to arrangement, and suppose that the knowledge they convey is to be obtained from the Scriptures and judicious commentators.

It seems necessary to this course of study to recommend the *Sermons* of some of the distinguished preachers who have so abounded in the Church of England for some ages past; and the only matter will be, from among many of the great name, to select a convenient number. And for this purpose we refer to the list at the end.

It seems not unnecessary to require attention to the *History of the Common Prayer*, the *grounds* on which the *different services* are constructed, and the *meaning* of the *Rubrics*, Perhaps a careful study of Dr. Wheatley, *On the Common Prayer*, and the late work of Mr. Reeves, will be sufficient.

Some books should be read on the *Duties of the Pastoral Office;* such as St. Chrysostom *On the Priesthood*, Bishop Burnet *On the Pastoral Care*, and Bishop Wilson's *Parochialia.* It is, however, to be remembered, that one reason for studying carefully the Book of Common Prayer, and its Rubrics, is, that by the help of these, in connection with what belongs in Scripture to the Ministerial character, sufficient information of its duties may be had.

A knowledge of the *Constitution* and the *Canons* should be held absolutely necessary. And it is to be hoped that they will, on this account, be soon published detached from the Journals.

To set down what Books shall be *essential*, no *Student* to be *ordained* without being *fully prepared to answer* on them, is more difficult. The lowest requisition is as follows:—Paley's *Evidences;* Mosheim, with a reference to Mr. Hooker, for the *Episcopacy;* Stackhouse's *Body of Divinity;* and Mr. Reeves, on the *Common Prayer;* the *Constitution and Canons of the Church;* allowing, in the *Study of the Scriptures,* a latitude of choice among approved *commentators;* it being understood, that if the Student cannot, on the grounds contained in some good commentary, *give an account* of the *different books,* and *explain* such *passages* as may be *proposed* to him, this is of itself a *disqualification.*

In the beginning it was intimated that the course to be recommended would be disproportioned to the means of some, and fall short of what would be within the compass of others. For the benefit of the latter we publish the following list of books, on the different branches of Ecclesiastical knowledge.

During the whole course of study, the Student will endeavor, by the grace of GOD, to cultivate his heart by attention to *devotional* and *practical* treatises; several of which will be mentioned in the general list that follows.

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Mr. John Beard, Tallahassee.
Mr. James Filor, Key West.
Mr. Thomas L. Mitchell, Apalachicola.

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe, Macon.
Mr. A. W. Ellerbe, Liberty Hill.
Mr. Robert T. Bunker, Mobile.
Mr. M. J. Conley, Montgomery.

Mississippi.—Mr. Geo. S. Yerger.
Mr. James S. Johnston.

Louisiana.—Mr. J. L. Lobdell, Lobdell's Store.
Mr. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D., New Orleans
Mr. G. S. Guion, Thibodeaux.
Mr. A. P. Cleveland, New Orleans.

Texas.—Mr. Peter. W. Gray.
Mr. J. E. Nicholson.

Tennessee.—Mr. Francis B. Fogg, Nashville.
Mr. J. F. Jett, Memphis.
Mr. Samuel Oldham, M.D., Memphis.
Mr. Wm. Armor, Memphis.

Kentucky.—Mr. J. W. Stevenson, Covington.
Mr. A. H. Churchill, Elizabethtown.
Mr. William Cornwall, Louisville.

Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Columbus.
Mr. N. G. Pendleton, Cincinnati.
Mr. C. B. Goddard, Zanesville.
Mr. Bellamy Storer, Cincinnati.

Indiana.—Mr. Ballard Smith, Cannelton.

Illinois.—Mr. L. B. Otis, Chicago.
Mr. Antrim Campbell, Springfield.
Mr. S. C. Sherman, Quincy.
Mr. James G. Wilson, Chicago.

Missouri.—Mr. R. N. Smith, Lexington.
Mr. Daniel Hough, St. Louis.
Mr. Alfred Warner, Palmyra.

Michigan.—Mr. H. P. Baldwin, Detroit.
Mr. P. E. Demill, Detroit.
Mr. C. C. Trowbridge, Detroit.
Mr. Benjamin Follett, Ypsilanti.

Wisconsin.—Mr. A. L. Pritchard, Watertown.
Mr. J. B. Doe, Janesville.
Mr. M. J. Thomas, Fond du Lac.

Iowa.—Mr. George Greene, Cedar Rapids.
Mr. B. B. Richards, Dubuque.
Mr. Richard McAllister, Keokuk.

Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Iglehart, St. Paul.
Mr. John L. Thorne, Hastings.

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley, San Francisco.
Mr. Joseph W. Winans, Sacramento.

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OF THE

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 5th, 1859.

THIS being the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, Divine Service was celebrated in St. Paul's Church.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Richard Hines, of the Diocese of Tennessee, assisted by the Rev. C. T. Quintard, M.D., a Deputy from the same Diocese.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Right Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont.

The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev. James Hervey Otey, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, from the text, Luke XVIII. 17: "Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God, as a little child, he shall not enter therein."

The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. William Meade, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, assisted by the Right Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky, who read the Sentences of the Offertory, the Exhortations, and the Prayer for the Church Militant, and by the other Bishops present, who partook in the Distribution of the Elements.

After the conclusion of Public Worship, the Testimonials of those who attended as Members-elect of the House of

Clerical and Lay Deputies were received by the Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the last General Convention, and recorded.

Whereupon the list of names was called, and the following members appeared and took their seats.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

Maine.—The Rev. Alex. Burgess; Rev. Geo. W. Durell; Rev. Frederick Gardiner; Rev. Asa Dalton.
New Hampshire.—The Rev. Henry A. Coit; Rev. James H. Eames; Rev. I. G. Hubbard, D.D.
Vermont.—The Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D.; Rev. George B. Manser, D.D.; Rev. David H. Buel; Rev. F. W. Shelton.
Massachusetts.—The Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D.; Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D.; Rev. George Leeds.
Rhode Island.—The Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D.
Connecticut.—The Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D.; Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D.; Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.; Rev. Junius M. Willey.
New York.—The Rev. William Creighton, D.D.; Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.
Western New York.—The Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D.; Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.
New Jersey.—The Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.; Rev. Clarkson Dunn; Rev. John Kelly.
Pennsylvania.—The Rev. W. B. Stevens, D.D.; Rev. M. A. DeW. Howe, D.D.; Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D.
Delaware.—The Rev. Charles Breck; Rev. Benjamin Franklin; Rev. Samuel R. Slack.
Maryland.—The Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D.; Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D.
Virginia.—The Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D.D.; Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D.D.; Rev. C. Minnigerode, D.D.
North Carolina.—The Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D.; Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D.; Rev. J. Blount Cheshire.
South Carolina.—The Rev. Peter J. Shand.
Georgia.—The Rev. Wm. C. Williams.
Florida.—The Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D.; Rev. Osgood E. Herrick; Rev. Alfred A. Miller; Rev. W. Trebell Saunders.
Alabama.—The Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D.; Rev. J. M. Banister; Rev. F. R. Hanson; Rev. J. A. Massey.
Mississippi.—The Rev. William C. Crane; Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.
Louisiana.—The Rev. C. S. Hedges; Rev. T. B. R. Trader; Rev. E. Guion.
Texas.—The Rev. Benjamin Eaton; Rev. W. T. D. Dalzell.
Tennessee.—The Rev. C. T. Quintard, M.D.; Rev. J. A. Wheelock.
Kentucky.—The Rev. James Craik, D.D.; Rev. Robert McMurdy; Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D.; Rev. F. M. Whittle.
Ohio.—The Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D.; Rev. Robt. B. Claxton, D.D.; Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, D.D.; Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, D.D.

Indiana.—The Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D.; Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck.
Illinois.—The Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D.; Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.; Rev. Theo. N. Morrison.
Missouri.—Rev. Robt. E. Terry; Rev. Francis J. Clerc.
Michigan.—The Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell; Rev. Levi H. Corson.
Wisconsin.—The Rev. William Adams, D.D.; Rev. George B. Eastman; Rev. David Keene; Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham.
California.—The Rev. Wm. H. Hill.
Iowa.—The Rev. John Ufford; Rev. Edward W. Peet, D.D.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner.
New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide.
Vermont.—Mr. Sylvester Deming.
Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward. A. Newton.
Connecticut.—Messrs. John Ferguson; Wm. T. Lee.
Western New York.—Messrs. Washington Hunt; Joseph Juliand.
New Jersey.—Messrs. Daniel B. Ryall; J. H. Thompson.
Pennsylvania.—Messrs. Herman Cope; John N. Conyngham; William Welsh; Felix R. Brunot.
Delaware.—Messrs. S. F. Du Pont, U. S. N.; S. M. Curtis; William T. Read; William Cummins, M.D.
Maryland.—Messrs. Ezekiel F. Chambers; Hugh Davy Evans; B. J. Goldsborough.
Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams.
North Carolina.—Mr. William H. Battle.
South Carolina.—Mr. R. F. W. Allston.
Florida.—Messrs. Geo. R. Fairbanks; John Beard.
Alabama.—Messrs. Henry A. Tayloe; A. W. Ellerbe: Robert S. Bunker.
Mississippi.—Mr. James S. Johnston.
Louisiana.—Messrs. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D.; G. S. Guion; A. P. Cleveland.
Texas.—Mr. Peter W. Gray.
Tennessee.—Messrs. J. F. Jett; Samuel Oldham, M.D.
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill.
Ohio.—Mr. N. G. Pendleton.
Illinois.—Messrs. L. B. Otis; Antrim Campbell.
Michigan.—Messrs. H. P. Baldwin; P. E. Demill; C. C. Trowbridge.
California.—Messrs. Edward Stanley; Joseph W. Winans.

It was then declared that Deputies were present from a majority of the Dioceses, as required by Art. I. of the Constitution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the House proceed to the election of a President.

The Rev. William Creighton, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New York, was nominated.

No other nomination having been made, the vote was

taken *viva voce*, and Dr. Creighton was unanimously elected, and conducted to the Chair by the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D.D., a Deputy of the Diocese of Maryland, and the Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Illinois.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the House now proceed to the choice of a Secretary.

The Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, was nominated.

No other nomination having been made, the vote was taken *viva voce*, and Dr. Howe was unanimously elected.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the Deputies of the Diocese of Virginia be appointed a Committee to appropriate certain pews in the Church, in which the sittings of this Convention are to be held, for the exclusive use of the Members of this House, assigning to the several Delegations their respective seats by lot; and that they be further directed to furnish seats for Clergymen present, who are not members of this Convention. (See p. 28.)

On motion of the same, *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of this House, and its readiness to proceed to business.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Wyatt and Mr. E. A. Newton.

On motion of the same, *Resolved*, that the Rules of Order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the last General Convention be adopted as the Rules of this House, until others be provided. (See p. 49.)

The Secretary announced that he had appointed the Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Massachusetts, to be Assistant-Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine and report upon the credentials of Deputies-elect to this House.

The Chair appointed the Secretary, the Assistant-Secretary, and Mr. Hugh Davy Evans. (See p. 30.)

On motion, *Ordered*, that when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at half-past nine o'clock; and that, through the remainder of the session, it meet daily at half-past nine, A. M., and sit till three.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, that the President appoint, during the recess of the House, the following Standing Committees, to wit: On the State of the

Church, to consist of one member from each Diocese: and on the General Theological Seminary; on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; on the Admission of New Dioceses; on the Consecration of Bishops; on Canons; on Expenses; on Unfinished Business; on Elections; and on the Prayer Book;—each of which to consist of nine members. (See p. 27.)

On motion of the same, *Ordered*, that Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Clergymen of the United Church of England and Ireland, and of the British Colonies; also of the Episcopal Church of Scotland, who may be sojourning in this City; Trustees, Professors, and Students of the General Theological Seminary; other Students of Theology, who are Candidates for Holy Orders in this Church; former Members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; Members of the Vestry of St. Paul's Church in the City of Richmond, in which Church this Convention holds its present session, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, *Resolved*, that the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, now sojourning in this City, be respectfully invited to attend at his pleasure the sittings of this House, and that a seat be provided for him on the right hand of the President.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has organized, and unanimously elected the Rev. Dr. Balch, of Maryland, Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 6th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Right Rev. Bishop Upfold, of Indiana, assisted by the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, of New Hampshire.

When the Roll was called, the following Deputies, not present yesterday at the call of the House, answered to their names.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

Massachusetts.—Rev. S. B. Shaw.
Rhode Island.—Rev. H. Waterman, D.D.
New York.—Rev. F. L. Hawks, D.D.
Western New York.—Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, D.D.; Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D.
New Jersey.—Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.
Pennsylvania.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D
Delaware.—Rev. J. E. Grammer.
Maryland.—Rev. William Pinkney, D.D.
North Carolina.—Rev. A. A. Watson.
South Carolina.—Rev. Charles Hanckel, D.D.
Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D.
Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas J. Pickett.
Illinois.—Rev. Thomas N. Benedict.
Missouri.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., and Rev. R. H. Weller.
Michigan.—Rev. F. H. Cuming, D.D., and Rev. John A. Wilson.
California.—Rev. S. C. Thrall.
Iowa.—Rev. Robert D. Brooke.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Maine.—Mr. Warren Brown.
Massachusetts.—Mr. Samuel L. Crocker.
New York.—Messrs. Murray Hoffman; Samuel B. Ruggles.
Maryland.—Mr. J. Mason Campbell.
Virginia.—Mr. D. H. Conrad.
South Carolina.—Messrs. Edward McCrady; J. J. Pringle Smith.
Georgia.—Mr. James Potter.
Mississippi.—Mr. Geo. S. Yerger.
Louisiana.—Mr. J. L. Lobdell.
Texas.—Mr. J. E. Nicholson.
Tennessee.—Mr. F. B. Fogg.
Ohio.—Mr. J. W. Andrews.
Missouri.—Messrs. R. N. Smith; Alfred Warner.
Michigan.—Mr. Benj. Follett.
Wisconsin.—Messrs. J. B. Doe; M. J. Thomas.

Also, the following, who, by certificate, appeared as substitutes for Deputies-elect unable to attend.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

New Hampshire.—Rev. H. S. Smith.
Rhode Island.—The Rev. W. H. Mills; Rev. Daniel Henshaw.
South Carolina.—The Rev. Alexander Glennie.
Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas W. Humes.
Indiana.—The Rev. Almon Gregory.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Rhode Island.—Messrs. Allen M. Thomas; Stephen N. Mason; A. H. Okie, M.D.

Connecticut.—Mr. S. H. Huntington.
North Carolina.—Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M.D.
Ohio.—Mr. B. Storer.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan presented the documents relative to the election of a Bishop by the Diocese of New Jersey, which, on his motion, were referred to the Standing Committee, about to be appointed, on the Consecration of Bishops. (See p. 44.)

The President announced the appointment of the Standing Committees as follows:

Committee on the State of the Church.—Rev. M. A. DeW. Howe, D.D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. Alexander Burgess, *Maine*, Rev. James H. Eames, *New Hampshire*, Rev. G. B. Manser, D.D., *Vermont*, Rev. Geo. Leeds, *Massachusetts*, Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D., *Rhode Island*, Rev. Robt. A. Hallam, D.D., *Connecticut*, Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., *New York*, Rev. W. D. Wilson, D.D., *Western New York*, Rev. Clarkson Dunn, *New Jersey*, Rev. Benjamin Franklin, *Delaware*, Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D., *Maryland*, Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D.D., *Virginia*, Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D., *North Carolina*, Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., *South Carolina*, Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., *Georgia*, Rev. J. Jackson Scott, D.D., *Florida*, Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D., *Alabama*, Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D., *Mississippi*, Rev. C. S. Hedges, *Louisiana*, Rev. Benjamin Eaton, *Texas*, Rev. C. T. Quintard, M. D., *Tennessee*, Rev. Robert McMurdy, *Kentucky*, Rev. Robert B. Claxton, D.D., *Ohio*, Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., *Indiana*, Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., *Illinois*, Rev. Francis J. Clerc, *Missouri*, Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, *Michigan*, Rev. William Adams, D.D., *Wisconsin*, Rev. Edward W. Peet, D.D., *Iowa*, Rev. William H. Hill, *California*.

Committee on the General Theological Seminary.—Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D., *Maryland*, Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D., *Western New York*, Rev. Peter J. Shand, *South Carolina*, Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., *North Carolina*, Rev. Alfred A. Miller, *Florida*, Mr. Herman Cope, *Pennsylvania*, Mr. Washington Hunt, *Western New York*, Mr. Samuel B. Ruggles, *New York*, Mr. John Ferguson, *Connecticut*.

Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.—Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., *New York*, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., *Connecticut*, Rev. A. Stubbs, D.D., *New Jersey*, Rev. David Keene, *Wisconsin*, Mr. Edward A. Newton, *Massachusetts*, Mr. Robert H. Gardiner, *Maine*, Mr. Samuel H. Huntington, *Connecticut*, Mr. S. F. Dupont, U. S. N., *Delaware*.

Committee on New Dioceses.—Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., *Vermont*, Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., *Massachusetts*, Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, *Indiana*, Rev. C. Minnigerode, D.D., *Virginia*, Mr. A. H. Churchill, *Kentucky*, Mr. D. H. Conrad, *Virginia*, Mr. Joseph Juliand, *Western New York*, Mr. William Welsh, *Pennsylvania*.

Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., *North Carolina*, Rev. J. M. Willey, *Connecticut*, Rev. David H. Buel, *Vermont*, Rev. A. B. Beach, D.D., *Western New York*, Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D., *Pennsylvania*, Mr. P. E. Demill, *Michigan*, Mr. D. B. Ryall, *New Jersey*, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, *Vermont*, Mr. G. R. Fairbanks, *Florida*.

Committee on Canons.—Rev. William Cooper Mead, D.D., *Connecticut*, Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., *Pennsylvania*, Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D., *New York*, Rev. James Craik, DD., *Kentucky*, Rev. G. M. Randall, D.D., *Massachusetts*, Mr. H. D. Evans, *Maryland*, Mr. Philip Williams, *Virginia*, Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, *Maryland*, Mr. Murray Hoffman, *New York*.

Committee on Expenses.—Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., *Illinois*, Rev. C. Gillette, *Texas*, Rev. Frederick Gardiner, *Maine*, Rev. Charles Breck, *Delaware*, Mr. Herman Cope, *Pennsylvania*, Mr. Peter B. Bailey, *Indiana*, Mr. J. H. Thompson, *New Jersey*, Mr. W. H. Battle, *North Carolina*.

Committee on Unfinished Business.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., *Michigan*, Rev. A. A. Watson, *North Carolina*, Rev. Wm. C. Crane, *Mississippi*, Rev. George W. Durell, *Maine*, Mr. Edward Stanley, *California*, Mr. Samuel Oldham, M.D., *Tennessee*, Mr. Benj. Follett, *Michigan*, Mr. N. G. Pendleton, *Ohio*.

Committee on Elections.—Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., *New York*, Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, D.D., *Western New York*, Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D., *New Jersey*, Rev. T. B. R. Trader, *Louisiana*, Rev. J. A. Wheelock, *Tennessee*, Mr. William T. Lee, *Connecticut*, Mr. Jacob W. Miller, *New Jersey*, Mr. H. P. Baldwin, *Michigan*, Mr. Andrew Ingram, *Indiana*.

Committee on the Prayer Book.—Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D., *Maryland*, Rev. Henry Waterman, D.D., *Rhode Island*, Rev. Henry A. Coit, *New Hampshire*, Rev. C. W. Fitch, D.D., *Ohio*, Rev. I. G. Hubbard, D.D., *New Hampshire*, Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D., *Connecticut*, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, *South Carolina*, Mr. Thos. Ruffin, *North Carolina*, Mr. Tazewell Taylor, *Virginia*.

The papers of the Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Ohio, were presented by the Rev. Dr. Claxton, and on his motion referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. (See p. 44.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead presented the application of the Diocese of Minnesota to be admitted into union with this Convention, and the documents pertaining thereto. Whereupon, on his motion, the House *Ordered*, that they be referred to the Committee on New Dioceses. (See p. 35.)

The Testimonials of the Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Texas were presented by the Rev. Benj. Eaton, and on his motion it was *Ordered*, that they be referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. (See p. 44.)

The Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, on behalf of the Deputation of the Diocese of Virginia who were charged with the duty

of allotting seats to the Deputies attending on this Convention, from the several Dioceses, made a verbal report. (See p. 24.)

Mr. Pendleton, a Deputy from the Diocese of Ohio, moved that the Deputies of such Dioceses as have had sittings assigned them under the galleries of the Church, be allowed the privilege of selecting seats in other parts of the Church not already appropriated.

The Rev. Mr. Crane, of Mississippi, offered as an amendment the following, *Ordered*, that the subject be referred back to the Committee on the Designation of Seats, for such adjustment as they may find expedient.

On motion of Mr. A. H. Churchill, *Ordered*, that the whole subject be postponed to Saturday next.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Willey, *Ordered*, that reporters for papers be admitted to the Floor of this House, and be provided with suitable accommodations under the direction of the Secretary.

Mr. Hoffman presented the application of the Diocese of Kansas for admission into union with this Convention, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses. (See p. 36.)

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans, *Ordered*, that the proposed alteration of Art. III. of the Constitution be made the Order of the Day, for to-morrow, at 11 o'clock.

On motion of the same, *Ordered*, that the proposed alteration of Art. VI. of the Constitution be made the Order of the Day for Wednesday next. (See p. 59.)

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered*, that the Secretary be instructed to have five hundred copies of the List of Members of this House printed, so soon as the same can be done with reasonable accuracy; and the same number of Lists of the Standing Committees.

The Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia entered and was received by the House, and took his seat at the right hand of the President.

On motion of the Secretary, *Ordered*, that the Deputies from each Diocese represented in this Convention, be called on to-morrow to state what documents they have to present to the House, agreeably to Canon XII. of 1853, and to lay the same on the Secretary's Table; and also to pay the Treasurer the quota required by Canon XV. of 1853, toward the expenses of this Convention.

The Secretary presented the Treasurer's account, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on Expenses. (See p. 53.)

The Secretary announced, as laid upon his Table, the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and other documents, which, on his motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Seminary. (See p. 89.)

On motion of Mr. J. N. Conyngham, the Secretary was instructed to cause three thousand copies of the Sermon delivered at the opening of this Convention to be printed.

The Rev. Dr. F. Vinton offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be directed to omit from the List of Canons the Canons I. and II. of 1853, the same having been repealed by the action of the House of Deputies and by virtue of the IIId Art. of the Constitution, the House of Bishops having not non-concurred in the same, as prescribed in the IIId Art. of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens offered as a substitute the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to take into consideration and report to this House the facts as to the legislation, and the status of such legislation of this House, in the General Convention of 1856, upon Canons I. and II. of 1853. (See p. 48.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the Committee on New Dioceses have leave to retire for the transaction of business.

The Secretary, as Chairman of the Committee on Credentials (see p. 24), presented the following report:

The Committee on Credentials respectfully report that they have examined the documents committed to them, and find them all in due form.

From the Diocese of Western New York certificates have been received on behalf of three Clerical and two Lay Deputies.

It is presumed that a full Delegation has been appointed in this Diocese, and that the testimonials will soon be in hand.

From all the other Dioceses in union with this Convention, Certificates are on file with the Secretary, attesting the election of the number of Deputies to which they are respectively entitled under the Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. De Wolfe Howe.

Richmond, Oct. 6th, 1859.

The Rev. Dr. Adams offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Canon VI. of 1832 be amended by the insertion of the following section:

2. And in case of recovery from the infirmity, presumed at the time of election to be permanent, then the Diocese shall be divided in accordance with the Constitutional provisions embodied in the Canons of the Church.

That the above resolution be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report upon.

The resolution was referred accordingly. (See p. 45.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hill,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report on the expediency of repealing Canon VI. of 1832.

The following Message, with accompanying Documents, was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 150.)

Richmond, Oct. 6, 1859.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Report presented by the Right Rev. the Missionary Bishop of the North West, together with the Report of the Bishop of Tennessee, acting as Missionary Bishop of the South West, be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

On motion of the Secretary, *Ordered*, that these Reports be referred to the Committee on the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society. (See pp. 329, 334.)

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans,

Resolved, That the Canon "Of the Election of a Provisional Bishop," be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Secretary presented the Report of the Missionary Bishop to Western Africa, which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, was referred to the Standing Committee on the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society. (See p. 341.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stubbs,

Resolved, That Canons V. and VI. of 1856, in reference to the Ordination of Deacons and Priests, be referred to the Committee on Canons for revision, in order to remove from them discrepancies by which they conflict with the Rubric. (See p. 128.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Willey, *Ordered*, that the Deputies from each Diocese be requested to present, at the opening of the Convention to-morrow, the Certificate required by Canon I. of 1847, in relation to the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to report to this House upon the propriety of repealing or modifying Canon IX. of 1853. (See p. 69.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Kelly,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report on the expediency of amending the 2d Section of Canon V. of 1832, by substituting for the words "a year," in the last sentence, the words "three months." (See p. 44.)

The Rev. Dr. Talbot offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the next Triennial Meeting of the General Convention be held in Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Winans moved to lay the motion on the table. The Chair put the question on this resolution, and it was lost.

Mr. H. D. Evans moved to amend by striking out the word "Chicago," and inserting "New York."

The deputation from the Diocese of Massachusetts called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders, and it was taken accordingly.

Clergy, Dioceses represented 31.—AYES, 8; NAYS, 21; DIVIDED, 2.
Laity, " " 30.—AYES, 8; NAYS, 20.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D.; Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D.; Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D.; Rev. M. A. DeW. Howe, D.D.; Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D.—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Rev. Charles. W. Andrews, D.D.; Rev. C. Minnigerode, D.D.—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D.; Rev. A. A. Watson—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D.; Rev. Peter J. Shand; Rev. Alexander Glennie—*Aye.* Rev. Charles C. Pinckney—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D.; Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Rev. C. S. Hedges; Rev. T. B. R. Trader; Rev. E. Guion—*Aye.*

California.—Rev. Wm. H. Hill; Rev. S. C. Thrall—*Aye.*

LAITY.

Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward A. Newton; Mr. Samuel L. Crocker—*Aye.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman; Mr. Samuel B. Ruggles—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. Herman Cope; Mr. John N. Conyngham; Mr. William Welsh; Mr. Felix R. Brunot—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers; Mr. Hugh Davy Evans; Mr. J. Mason Campbell—*Aye.* Mr. B. J. Goldsborough—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. Wm. B. Battle—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Mr. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D.; Mr. G. S. Guion; Mr. A. P. Cleveland—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley; Mr. Joseph W. Winans—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Jas. H. Eames; Rev. I. G. Hubbard, D.D. —*Nay.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D.; Rev. David H. Buel—*Nay.* Rev. Geo. B. Manser, D.D.—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D.; Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D.; Rev. Geo. Leeds; Rev. S. Brenton Shaw—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D.; Rev. W. H. Mills; Rev. Daniel Henshaw—*Nay.* Rev. H. Waterman, D.D.—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D.; Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D.; Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.; Rev. Junius M. Willey—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, D.D.; Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D.; Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.; Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.; Rev. Clarkson Dunn; Rev. John Kelly—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Rev. Charles Breck; Rev. Benjamin Franklin; Rev. Samuel R. Slack; Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D.; Rev. Osgood E. Herrick; Rev. Alfred A. Miller; Rev. W. Trebell Saunders—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D.; Rev. J. M. Banister; Rev. F. R. Hanson; Rev. J. A. Massey—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. William C. Crane; Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D. —*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. C. T. Quintard, M.D.; Rev. J. A. Wheelock—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D.; Rev. Robert McMurdy; Rev. F. M. Whittle—*Nay.* Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D.—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D.; Rev. Robert B. Claxton, D.D.; Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, D.D.; Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Indiana.—Rev. Jos. C. Talbot, D.D.; Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck; Rev. Almon Gregory—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D.; Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.; Rev. Theodore N. Morrison; Rev. Thomas N. Benedict—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D.; Rev. Francis J. Clerc; Rev. R. H. Weller—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Rev. F. H. Cuming, D.D.; Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell; Rev. Levi H. Corson; Rev. John A. Wilson—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. Wm. Adams, D.D.; Rev. George B. Eastman; Rev. David Keene; Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham—*Nay.*

Iowa.—Rev. John Ufford; Rev. Robert D. Brooke; Rev. Edward W. Peet—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide—*Nay.*
Vermont.—Mr. Sylvester Deming—*Nay.*
Connecticut.—Mr. John D. Ferguson; Mr. William T. Lee; Mr. Samuel H. Huntington—*Nay.*
Western New York.—Mr. Washington Hunt; Mr. Joseph Juliand—*Nay.*
New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall; Mr. J. N. Thompson—*Nay.*
Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Dupont, U. S. N.; Mr. S. M. Curtis; Mr. William T. Read; Mr. Wm. Cummins, M.D.—*Nay*
Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams; Mr. D. H. Conrad; Mr. Tazewell Taylor—*Nay.*
South Carolina.—Mr. Edward McCrady; Mr. R. F. W. Allston—*Nay.* Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith—*Aye.*
Florida.—Mr. Geo. R. Fairbanks—*Nay.*
Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe; Mr. A. W. Ellerbe; Mr. Robert S. Bunker—*Nay.*
Mississippi.—Mr. George S. Yerger; Mr. James S. Johnston—*Nay.*
Texas.—Mr. Peter W. Gray; Mr. J. E. Nicholson—*Nay.*
Tennessee.—Mr. Francis B. Fogg; Mr. J. F. Jett—*Nay.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews; Mr. N. G. Pendleton; Mr. Benj. Storer—*Nay.*
Illinois.—Mr. L. R. Otis; Mr. Antrim Campbell—*Nay.*
Missouri.—Mr. Alfred Warner—*Nay.*
Michigan.—Mr. H. P. Baldwin; Mr. P. E. Demill; Mr. C. C. Trowbridge; Mr. Benjamin Follett—*Nay.*
Wisconsin.—Mr. J. P. Doe; Mr. M. J. Thomas—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Mr. George Greene—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Frederick Gardiner; Rev. Asa Dalton—*Aye.* Rev. Alex. Burgess; Rev. Geo. W. Durell—*Nay.*
Maryland.—Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D.—*Nay.*
Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton—*Aye.* Rev. W. T. D. Dalzell—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner—*Aye.* Mr. Warren Brown—*Nay.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. A. H. Okie, M.D.—*Aye.* Mr. Allen M. Thomas—*Nay.*

So the proposed Amendment was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Hicks, for the Committee on New Dioceses,

reported as follows, and the resolution embraced therein was adopted. (See p. 28.)

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the application of the Church of Minnesota to be admitted into union with the General Convention, beg leave to report as follows:

That they find by an attested copy of the Journal of its Primary Convention, that the Clergy and Lay Delegates of the Parishes and Congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State (then Territory) of Minnesota, assembled on the 17th day of September, A.D. 1857, at St. Paul, under the authority and designation of the Right Reverend Jackson Kemper, D.D., Missionary Bishop of the North West, with a view to the organization of a Diocese, and, after all necessary preliminaries, adopted a Constitution, the first Article of which is as follows:

"The Church in Minnesota accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and shall be known by the name and title of the Diocese of Minnesota."

These proceedings being, in the judgment of your Committee, in accordance with the provisions of the Vth Article of the Constitution of the Church in these United States, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Diocese of Minnesota be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

For the Committee,

JOHN A. HICKS,

Oct. 6th, 1859. *Chairman.*

The interruption to the business in hand by the presentation of this and another report (see p. 36) from the same Committee was here objected to. *Whereupon*, the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton moved that the unanimous consent of the House be given for the presentation of the Report on Kansas, and the action of the House thereon.

The question being put on this resolution, and a division of the House called for, it was decided in the negative. AYES, 73; NOES, 78.

The regular hour for adjournment having arrived, the House was adjourned.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 7th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Richard S. Mason

D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of North Carolina, assisted by the Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, answered to their names when the Roll was called.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

Georgia.—Rev. W. H. Harison.
Indiana.—Rev. James Runcie.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Massachusetts.—Mr. Francis Hilliard.
Georgia.—Mr. George A. Gordon.
Wisconsin.—Mr. A. L. Pritchard.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 152.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Triennial Report of the Missionary Bishop to China be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Document referred to in this Message was received, and, on motion of the Secretary, was referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (See pp. 83, 338.)

The Rev. Dr. Hicks, on behalf of the Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following Report, and the resolution contained therein was adopted.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses report:

That, on the application of the Church in Kansas (see p. 29), they have received and have had laid before them evidence that, on the eleventh day of August, A. D. 1859, the Primary Convention of that Church effected the organization of the same, and that they then and there adopted a Constitution, the first Article of which is as follows:

"This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly."

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring (see p. 41), that the Diocese of Kansas be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

For the Committee,
JOHN A. HICKS,
Chairman.

Oct. 6th, 1859.

On motion of Mr. Hoffman,

Resolved, That the Order of the Day be postponed, to give place for the presentation of the Report of a Committee appointed, by the General Convention of 1856, to prepare and lay before this Convention a Digest of the Canons of this Church. (See p. 74, Journal of 1856.)

Mr. Hoffman then presented the Report, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, if the House of Bishops concur (see p. 48), the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to digest the Canons of this Church be referred to a joint Special Committee, composed of the Committee on Canons of each House (see pp. 28, 49), to consider and report what action in relation to the repeal of existing Canons may be necessary in case it is adopted; and also to report upon any emendations or additions to the same which may be submitted to such Committee by either House, or may be suggested by members of such Committee.

Mr. Newton offered the following amendment, to wit: to strike out all after the word "Resolved," to the words "to consider and report," and insert instead the words, "That the proposal of the Joint Committee appointed to digest the Canons of the Church be referred to a Joint Special Committee."

The proposed amendment was lost, and the question recurred on the original resolution.

The Chair put the same to the House, and it was decided in the affirmative.*

The Rev. Dr. Stevens offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committees "on Canons," "on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society," and "on the General Theological Seminary," be enlarged by the addition, by the President, of one Clerical and one Lay Member to each.

The resolution was adopted. (See p. 43.)

The Rev. Dr. Talbot, the Order of the Day being further postponed for the purpose, called up the question pending at the adjournment of the House yesterday, to wit: the place of meeting of the next General Convention. (See p. 32.)

A Message from the House of Bishops was received as follows: (See p. 152.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Report of the Right Rev. Bishop Scott, Mission-

* The Report of the Committee appointed to digest the Canons of the Church was referred, agreeably to the resolution of Mr. Hoffman, to the Joint Committee on Canons, and by them reported back (see page 69), containing all the Canons then in force. It was thus adopted, and, with the new Canons and Amendments subsequently made, is to be found in Appendix Q.

ary Bishop to Oregon, be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Report accompanying this Message was, on the motion of the Secretary, referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See pp. 83,336.)

The following Message was also received: (See p. 156.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has unanimously passed the following resolution:

Whereas, The venerable Missionary Bishop of the North West has offered to this House his resignation of the Missionary jurisdiction which has been under his charge for twenty-four years; therefore,

Resolved, That, in accepting the resignation of the Missionary Bishop of the North West, this House hereby expresses its deep sense of the faithful manner in which the Missionary Bishop has performed his arduous work; and they also feel it to be their duty and their privilege to assure him of the gratitude of the whole Church for his earnest and self-denying and Apostolic labors.

Resolved, That this resolution be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See p. 46.)

Also the following: (See p. 153.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, admitting the Diocese of Minnesota into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and that notice of this concurrence be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See p. 35.)

Whereupon, the Secretary called the names of the Deputies-elect from the Diocese of Minnesota, and the Rev. E. G. Gear, the Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D., and the Rev. Ezra Jones, and Messrs. Harwood Iglehart and John L. Thorne, answered, and took their seats as members of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Van Ingen presented the Testimonials of the Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Minnesota, which, on his motion, were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. (See p. 44.)

The House now resumed the consideration of the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, touching the place of the next meeting.

The Rev. Mr. Thrall proposed to amend the resolution before the House by striking out "Chicago," and substituting "Philadelphia."

A vote by Dioceses and Orders was called for by the Delegation from California, which, being taken, resulted as follows:—

Dioceses represented by the Clergy, 33. AYES, 10. NAYS, 18. DIVIDED, 5.

Dioceses represented by the Laity, 31. AYES, 9. NAYS, 18. DIVIDED, 4.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alex. Burgess; Rev. Geo. W. Durell; Rev. Frederick Gardiner—*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D.; Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D.; Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. M. A. DeW. Howe, D.D.; Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D.; Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D.—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D.D.; Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. C. Minnigerode, D.D.—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D.; Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D.; Rev. A. A. Watson—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D.; Rev. Peter J. Shand; Rev. Alex. Glennie—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D.; Rev. Wm. H. Harison; Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Rev. C. S. Hedges; Rev. T. B. R. Trader; Rev. E. Guion—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D.; Rev. Robt. E. Terry; Rev. Francis J. Clerc; Rev. R. H. Weller—*Aye.*

California.—Rev. Wm. H. Hill; Rev. S. C. Thrall—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward. A. Newton; Mr. Samuel L. Crocker; Mr. Francis Hilliards—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. Herman Cope; Mr. John N. Conyngham; Mr. William Welsh; Mr. Felix R. Brunot.

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers; Mr. Hugh Davy Evans; Mr. J. Mason Campbell—*Aye.* Mr. B. J. Goldsborough—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. William H. Battle; Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M.D.—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith; Mr. R. F. W. Allston—*Aye.* Mr. Edward McCrady—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Mr. Geo. A. Gordon; Mr. James Potter—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Mr. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D.; Mr. A. P. Cleveland—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley; Mr. Joseph W. Winans—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D.; Rev. F. W. Shelton—*Nay.* Rev. David H. Buel—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D.; Rev. George Leeds; Rev. S. Brenton Shaw—*Nay.* Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D.—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D.; Rev. W. H. Mills; Rev. Daniel Henshaw—*Nay.* Rev. H. Waterman, D.D.—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D.; Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D.; Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.; Rev. Junius M. Willey—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Rev. William Shelton, D.D.; Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D.; Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.; Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.; Rev. Clarkson Dunn; Rev. John Kelly—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D.; Rev. Osgood E. Herrick; Rev. Alfred A. Miller; Rev. W. Trebell Saunders—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D.; Rev. J. M. Banister; Rev. F. R. Hanson; Rev. J. A. Massey—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. William C. Crane; Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.; Rev. J. H. Ingraham, D.D.—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. C. T. Quintard, M.D.; Rev. Thomas J. Pickett; Rev. Thomas W. Humes—*Nay.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D.; Rev. Robt. B. Claxton, D.D.; Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, D.D.; Rev. William R. Nicholson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Indiana.—Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D.; Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck; Rev. Jas. Runcie; Rev. Almon Gregory—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.; Rev. Theo. N. Morrison; Rev. Thos. N. Benedict—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Rev. F. H. Cuming, D.D.; Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell; Rev. Levi H. Corson; Rev. John A. Wilson—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. William Adams, D.D.; Rev. George B. Eastman; Rev. David Keene; Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham—*Nay.*

Minnesota.—Rev. E. G. Gear; Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D.; Rev. Ezra Jones—*Nay.* Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Kansas.—Rev. C. M. Callaway—*Nay.*

Iowa.—Rev. John Ufford; Rev. Edward W. Peet, D.D.—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Vermont.—Mr. Sylvester Deming—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Mr. John D. Ferguson; Mr. Wm. T. Lee; Mr. Sam'l H. Huntington—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Mr. Washington Hunt; Mr. Joseph Juliand—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall; Mr. J. N. Thompson—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Du Pont, U. S. N.; Mr. S. M. Curtis; Mr. William T. Read; Mr. William Cummins, M.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams; Mr. D. H. Conrad—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. George R. Fairbanks—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe; Mr. A. W. Ellerbe; Mr. Robert S. Bunker—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Mr. George S. Yerger; Mr. James S. Johnston—*Nay.*

Texas.—Mr. Peter W. Gray—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. J. F. Jett; Mr. Samuel Oldham, M.D.—*Nay.* Mr Francis B. Fogg—*Aye.*

Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews; Mr. N. G. Pendleton; Mr. B. Storer.—*Nay.*
Illinois.—Mr. L. R. Otis—*Nay.*
Michigan.—Mr. H. P. Baldwin; Mr. P. F. Demill; Mr. C. C. Trowbridge—*Nay.*
Wisconsin.—Mr. A. L. Pritchard; Mr. J. B. Doe; Mr. M. J. Thomas—*Nay.*
Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Inglehart; Mr. John L. Thorne—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Mr. George Greene; Mr. B. B. Richards—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Henry A. Coit; Rev. I. G. Hubbard, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. James H. Eames; Rev. H. S. Smith—*Nay.*
Delaware.—Rev. Charles Breck; Rev. Samuel R. Slack—*Aye.* Rev. Benjamin Franklin; Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Nay.*
Maryland.—Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D.; Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. William Pinkney, D.D.; Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D.—*Nay.*
Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton—*Aye.* Rev. W. T. D. Dalzell—*Nay.*
Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D.; Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Robert McMurdy; Rev. F. M. Whittle—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner—*Aye.* Mr. Warren Brown—*Nay.*
Rhode Island.—Mr. A. H. Okie, M.D.—*Aye.* Mr. Allen M. Thomas—*Nay.*
New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman—*Aye.* Mr. Samuel B. Ruggles—*Nay.*
Missouri.—Mr. Alfred Warner—*Aye.* Mr. R. N. Smith—*Nay.*

So the amendment was lost.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops as follows: (See p. 156,)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (see p. 36), admitting the Diocese of Kansas into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and that notice of this concurrence be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Whereupon, the Secretary received a certificate on behalf of the Rev. C. M. Callaway, attesting his election as a Deputy from Kansas; and called his name, to which he answered, and took his seat as a Member of the House.

The question now recurring on the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, the Rev. Mr. Guion moved to amend, by striking out "Chicago," and inserting in the stead "Buffalo."

The Chair put the question on this amendment, and it was rejected.

The original resolution being now in order, the question thereupon was taken, and it was passed.

Mr. Pendleton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Order of the Day, being the proposed amendment to the IIId Art. of the Constitution, be postponed, and that the Committee on Canons be instructed to report the action of the several Diocesan Conventions upon the said proposed amendment.

Which, on motion of Mr. Churchill, was laid on the table.

The Order of the Day (see p. 29) being now called for, was, on motion of Mr. H. D. Evans, postponed till to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M. (See p. 46.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead offered the following:

Resolved, That this House proceed forthwith to ballot for a Committee on the part of this House, to act with a Committee of the House of Bishops in nominating a Board of Missions.

On motion of Mr. E. A. Newton, *Ordered*, that the ballot be dispensed with, and that the Committee be appointed by the Chair.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops have leave to retire for the dispatch of business.

Mr. E. F. Chambers moved to reconsider the vote just taken, whereby the ballot was dispensed with.

Mr. W. H. Battle moved to lay the motion for reconsideration on the table.

The Chair put the question on the motion to lay on the table, and it was lost.

The question then recurred on the resolution to reconsider, and it was decided in the affirmative, and the House proceeded to ballot for a Committee to nominate a Board of Missions.

The chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Cuming and Mr. Wm. T. Lee to act as tellers.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops (see p. 157), to wit:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Report of the Right Rev. H. W. Lee, D.D., re-

specting his Episcopal labors in Nebraska, be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, the Report received with this Message was referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See pp. 83,333.)

The President announced the following additions to the Standing Committees: (See p. 37.)

To the Committee on the State of the Church, the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D., of Minnesota; the Rev. C. M. Callaway, of Kansas.

To the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, the Rev. Wm. Adams, D.D., of Wisconsin, and Mr. F. B. Fogg, of Tennessee.

To the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, of Missouri, and Mr. L. B. Otis, of Illinois.

To the Committee on Canons, the Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., of Illinois, and Mr. H. P. Baldwin, of Michigan.

The Rev. Mr. Thrall offered the following proposed Amendment of the Constitution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons (see p. 47), to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Art. I. of the Constitution be amended by striking out the words "and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention," and inserting the words "in the City of Philadelphia."

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 8th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New Jersey, assisted by the Rev. G. T. Bedell, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Ohio.

The Rev. Charles C. Pinckney, a Deputy from *South Carolina*, the Rev. Wm. H. Harison, of *Georgia*, the Rev. N. O. Preston, of *Kansas;* and Mr. Cyrus Curtis, a supplemental Deputy of *New York*, in place of Mr. N. S. Benton; Messrs. J. W. Miller, of *New Jersey*, and C. G. Memminger, of *South Carolina*, appeared and took their seats as Members of the House.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason, for the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, made the following Report:

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, having had before them the Testimonials in behalf of the Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Texas (see p. 28); and also, the Testimonials in behalf of the Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New Jersey (see p. 27); and also, the Testimonials in behalf of the Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Ohio (see p. 28); and also, the Testimonials in behalf of the Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Minnesota (see p. 38), do report the same as in order for receiving the Testimonials of the Members of this House.

(Signed.) R. S. MASON.
J. M. WILLEY.
D. HILLHOUSE BUEL.
AMOS B. BEACH.
J. P. B. WILMER.
P. E. DEMILL.
DANIEL B. RYALL.
GEO. R. FAIRBANKS.

Richmond, October 8th, 1859.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and that, so soon as the Testimonials can be prepared, this House proceed to sign the same. (See p. 49.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit: (See p. 158.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the selection of "Chicago" as the place of meeting of the next General Convention (see p. 42), but that they prefer and have selected the City of "Philadelphia" in lieu thereof: for the reason, that they deem it more convenient and accessible to a larger body of the Clerical and Lay Members; nearer the archives of the General Convention, and more convenient and advantageous to the General Institutions of the Church, connected with this Body.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Amendment of Canon V. of 1832 (see p. 32), having considered the same, do recommend its adoption, and offer the following resolution on the subject to be passed by this House: (See p. 126.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted:

Of the Consecration of Bishops during the Recess of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1799, the fifth 1808, and the sixth of 1820.]

SECTION 1. If, during the Recess of the General Convention,

Church, in any Diocese, should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed Consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the Consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same; or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

SECTION 2. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites, no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention. But in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within three months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

Sec. 3, Canon V. of 1832, is hereby repealed.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the same Committee, presented the following Report, and the Committee was thereupon discharged.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution proposing a certain amendment of Canon VI. of 1832 (see p. 30), having considered the same, respectfully report that, in their opinion, it is inexpedient to adopt the amendment, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

Mr. Hoffman presented a Report on behalf of the Trustees of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, (see Appendix K.) and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Act of Incorporation passed by the Legislature of the State of New York, on the 13th day of April, 1858, and the By-Laws reported by the Trustees to this House as the Laws and Regulations for the government of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, be approved and adopted.

The Chair put the question on the above resolution, and it was adopted.

Mr. Hoffman also offered the following:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it be referred to a Joint Committee of Three of each House, to consider and report what other, if any, measures are advisable to carry out the object of the Church in respect to such Fund.

The question being put on this resolution, it was decided in the negative.

The Rev. Dr. Cuming, one of the Tellers appointed to receive and count the ballots for a Committee to nominate a Board of Missions, reported,

That the House have made choice of five members of the Constitutional Committee of Six, to wit: two Clergymen and three Laymen—Rev. Dr. Wm. Bacon Stevens, Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason, and Messrs. E. A. Newton, Francis B. Fogg, and H. P. Baldwin.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the House proceed to ballot for the remaining Clerical Member of the Committee.

And the House accordingly proceeded to ballot.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clarkson, the Order of the Day was postponed to introduce the following resolution:

Whereas, This House is informed by a message from the House of Bishops (see p. 38), that the venerable Missionary Bishop of the North West has resigned to the House of Bishops the Missionary jurisdiction which has been under his charge for twenty-four years; therefore,

Resolved, That this House hereby expresses its deep sense of the faithful manner in which the Missionary Bishop has performed his arduous work; and they feel it to be their duty and privilege to assure him of the gratitude of the whole Church for his earnest, self-denying, and Apostolic labors.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Cuming reported on behalf of the Tellers, and the Chair announced, that the Rev. Dr. McMasters was elected a Member of the Committee to nominate a Board of Missions. So the number was complete.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the Order of the Day (see p. 49) be postponed till Monday next, the 10th inst., at 11 o'clock.

It being declared by the Secretary that the testimonials on behalf of the Bishops-elect were now made ready for signature, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the House proceeded to sign the same.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows, to wit: (See p. 160.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has appointed the following Members of this House to act with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (see p. 46), as a Joint-Committee to nominate a Board of Missions for three years next ensuing, viz.: Bishop Williams, Bishop Polk, and Bishop Burgess.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Terry, leave of absence was granted to Mr. R. N. Smith, a Deputy from Missouri, for the remainder of the session.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 10th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Maryland, assisted by the Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New York, and President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, a Deputy from the Diocese of *Georgia*, the Rev. Dr. Higbee, from the Diocese of *New York;* Mr. T. B. Carpenter, a Lay Deputy from the Diocese of *New Jersey;* Mr. J. W. Stevenson, from the Diocese of *Kentucky*, and Mr. Ballard Smith, from the Diocese of *Indiana*, not before present at the calling of the Roll, appeared and took their seats.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Committee on Canons, by their Chairman, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed Amendment of Art. Ist of the Constitution, fixing the City of Philadelphia as the permanent place for the meetings of the General Convention (see p. 43), have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report that, in their opinion, the proposed Amendment is not expedient, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
October 10th, 1859. *Chairman.*

The request of the Committee to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, was, on motion, granted.

Mr. Hoffman, from the Committee on Canons, reported as follows, in reference to Canons I. and II. of 1853. (See p. 30.)

The Committee on Canons, to which it was referred to take into consideration and report to this House "the facts as to the Legislation and the *status* of such legislation" of this House in the General Convention of 1856, upon Canons I. and II. of 1853, respectfully report:

That, on the 16th day of October, 1856, the 14th day of the Session, a Canon, entitled "Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon," was presented to this House; by the 2nd Section of which, Canons I. and II. of 1853 were repealed. On the 17th day of October, the 15th of the Session, such Canon was adopted.

On the 19th of October, the 17th day of the Session, a Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows: "That this House does not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the 'Canon of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon,' because the House does not perceive any sufficient ground for changing existing provisions on the subject."

On the same day, the following resolution was adopted by this House: "*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that Canons I. and II. of 1853 be repealed." And on the 21st of October, the 18th of the Session, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops: "The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, that this House does not concur in the action of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies respecting Canons I. and II. of 1853."

The action of this House of the 17th day of the Session was sent to the House of Bishops on the same day. The 18th was the last of the Session.

Upon this state of facts, the Committee is unanimously of opinion that Canons I. and II. of 1853 are not repealed; and offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, Canons I. and II. of 1853 are not repealed.

By order of the Committee,
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

October 10th, 1859.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the vote whereby the Committee on Canons were discharged from further consideration of a proposed Amendment of the 1st Art. of the Constitution (see p. 47) be reconsidered.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hill,

Resolved, That the whole subject be laid upon the table.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 159.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and

Lay Deputies in the resolution passed on the 8th inst., and transmitted to the House of Bishops in Message No. 4 (see p. 37). Bishops Hopkins, Alonzo Potter, and Whittingham, Committee on Canons on the part of this House.

Also the following

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution: (See p. 163.)

Resolved, that Bishops Horatio Potter, Burgess, and Williams be a Committee on the part of this House, to act with a Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (see p. 50), to consider the Report of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, &c., and also to nominate a Board of Trustees in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of said Fund

The Rev. Dr. Lay offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Church be and are authorized to consider any matters connected with the practical efficiency of the Church, and to recommend such action as may seem to them expedient and necessary.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, returning the resolution which had been transmitted to them relating to the Testimonials of the Bishops-elect, which were signed by this House on Saturday, the 8th inst., on the ground that the resolution did not fully conform to the requirements of the Canon. (See p. 163.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hill, *Ordered*, that this Message be referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. (See p. 52.)

Mr. Philip Williams called for the Order of the Day, to wit, the consideration of the proposed Amendment of Art. III. of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Lay moved to postpone the Order of the Day.

Mr. Wm. H. Battle moved to lay the resolution to postpone on the table.

The Chair put the question upon this motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

So the Order of the Day came up for consideration.

Pending the debate on the proposed Amendment, the Rev. Dr. Stevens moved to amend the Vth Rule of Order of this House, by substituting 12 for 11 o'clock, as the time at which the House shall proceed to the Order of the Day.

Mr. Allston offered the following Amendment:

Resolved, That Rule of Order No. 5 shall be altered so as to read as follows:

At the expiration of one hour from and after the reading of the Journal, daily, the House shall proceed to the Order of the Day, unless it be postponed by a vote of two-thirds of all the Members present.

A vote being taken first upon the proposed Amendment, it was lost.

The question then recurred on the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, and it was adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 11th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Texas, assisted by the Rev. Henry B. Whipple, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Minnesota.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

Mr. Thos. H. Canfield, a Deputy from the Diocese of *Vermont;* Mr. James Filor, of *Florida;* Mr. James G. Wilson, of *Illinois*, in place of Mr. R. B. Servant; and Mr. J. Conley, in place of Mr. C. T. Pollard, of *Alabama*.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The several Standing Committees on being called in their order, declared that they were not prepared to report.

Mr. Washington Hunt offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed, on the part of this House, to unite with the Committee of the House of Bishops, as a Joint Committee on the Report of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and also to nominate a Board of Trustees, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the said Fund. (See p. 49.)

Which was adopted, and the Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Wyatt, and A. H. Vinton, and Mr. Hunt.

The Rev. Mr. Hill, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient, at this time, to elect Three Missionary Bishops; one for *Nebraska* and *Utah*, and parts adjacent; one for *Arkansas*, and the adjacent *Indian Territory;* and one for *New Mexico* and *Arizona*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, the resolution was referred to the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. (See p. 59.)

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring (see p. 167), that the proposed Canon, entitled, "Of Councils of Conciliation," which was, in the Convention of 1856, postponed to the next General Convention, and which is printed on page 331 of the Journal of that Convention, be referred to the Joint Committee appointed to revise the proposed Digest of the Canons.

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring (see p. 169), that the proposed Canon "A," entitled "Of Definitions," printed on pp. 306–7 of the Journal of 1856, and the proposed Canon "C," entitled, "Of Amenability and Residence," printed on pp. 307–8, of the same Journal; also the two proposed Canons sent herewith in MSS., and severally entitled, "Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations," and "Of the Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others," shall be referred to the Joint Committee appointed to revise the Digest of the Canons.

On motion of Mr. E. A. Newton, *Ordered*, That the last-named of the above-proposed Canons be printed for the use of this House.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, presented and read the following proposed Canon "Of Parish Boundaries:"

SECTION 1. Parish Boundaries, in each Diocese of this Church, may be established by the Convention thereof.

SECTION 2. Canon IX. of 1853, is hereby repealed.

Which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See p. 71.)

On motion of Rev. Dr. Stevens,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to report on the subject of this proposed Canon, on Saturday morning next; and, that the consideration of their Report be made the Order of the Day for Saturday, the 15th inst., at 1 o'clock, P. M.

The House now took up the "Order of the Day," being the proposed Amendment of Article III. of the Constitution. (See pp. 52, 59.)

The Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, moved that the vote be taken on the ratification of this Amendment at 1 o'clock.

The Rev. Mr. Hill, moved to amend by substituting for 1, half-past 2 o'clock.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton,

Resolved, That the Resolution to fix an hour for a final vote on the subject pending, be laid on the table.

The Secretary announced, that he had appointed the Rev.

John A. Childs, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, as Second Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason, for the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following Report:

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred the Message of the House of Bishops on the subject of the Consecration of the Bishops-elect (see p. 49), report to the House, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Testimonials from their respective Dioceses of the Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Texas, and the Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New Jersey, and the Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Ohio, and the Rev. Henry Benj. Whipple, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Minnesota, having been approved by this House, and the Testimonials from this House having been signed by a Constitutional Majority of Clerical and Lay Deputies, this House do now hereby assent to the Consecration of the said four Bishops-elect.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Testimonials from this House, be transmitted by the Secretary to the House of Bishops. (See p. 165.)

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, the resolutions were severally adopted.

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans,

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment of Article III. of the Constitution, before the House for ratification, (see pp. 29, 42,) be laid on the table. (See p. 59.)

On the request of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, the Message of the House of Bishops, No. 9, communicating their non-concurrence in the selection of Chicago, as the place of meeting of the next General Convention, and proposing that it be held in Philadelphia (see p. 44), was read.

Mr. Tazewell Taylor, moved that the House concur in the designation of Philadelphia, as the place of meeting. A call being made for a division of the House, the motion was decided in the negative. *Ayes*, 83; *Nays*, 90.

Mr. A. G. Pendleton, made a motion that this House insist on its selection of Chicago, and ask for the appointment of a Committee of Conference.

Mr. J. W. Winans, proposed to amend by striking out all after the word Resolved, and insert, That this House ask a Committee of Conference, for the selection and proposal of a place for the next General Convention. (See p. 78.)

Pending the discussion of this amendment, the stated hour of adjournment arrived.

The President then laid before the House the following communication:—

Richmond, October 10th, 1859.

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:—

I very much regret that being obliged to leave Richmond early to-morrow morning, I shall not again be able to avail myself of the provision so kindly made for me in the House over which you preside. But I cannot go without offering to the House, through you, my hearty thanks for the kind feeling evinced, and for the honor conferred upon me, by the invitation to occupy a seat specially provided for me, in its place of meeting. I am much gratified by what I have witnessed of the operation of your system, and by the tokens of vitality and prosperity presented to me. When I consider the extent of Territory represented in your Convention, and think of the magnitude of the interests at stake, and the important results that may depend upon its action, I feel that its importance cannot be too highly estimated. May God in his mercy be pleased to guide and bless all your labors, that they may tend to the advancement of his glory, the good of his Church, and the welfare of this mighty Confederation.

With thanks also for your personal courtesy and attention, I am, Reverend and dear sir,

Yours, very truly,

H. NOVA SCOTIA.

The President of House of Delegates.

On motion, *Ordered*, That the above Communication be entered on the Minutes.

The House was adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 12th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, assisted by the Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New York.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings, were read and approved.

The Rev. William Stevens Perry appeared as a substitute for the Rev. Henry S. Smith, a Deputy from the Diocese of New Hampshire.

The Rev. Mr. Gardiner, for the Committee on Expenses, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Expenses, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer (see p. 30,) respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and find it correctly cast and duly vouched; and, that there is now due to the Treasurer for money advanced by him, $863.51, of which sum $228 will be received when the Assessments on the Dioceses for 856 are fully paid; there will then remain a deficiency unprovided for

Mr. Henry A. Tayloe offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That from and after Monday next, the speeches of Members of this House, shall be restricted to fifteen minutes in duration, unless, by the unanimous leave of the House, the period be extended.

The President put the question on this Order, and it was adopted.

Mr. Memminger presented the following resolution:—

Whereas, The Preamble and Resolutions adopted by the House of Bishops on the 18th day of the last Session of the General Convention, in relation to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, and published in the Journal of the said Convention (see p. 339), have disturbed the uniformity of worship which should prevail throughout our Church, and have been received in various Parishes as lawful authority for deviating from the Rubric.

And, *Whereas*, In the opinion of this House, no such change can lawfully be made, except by the joint action of both Houses in General Convention, and made known to the several Dioceses, and adopted in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of the Church: Therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops is hereby respectfully requested to reconsider the said Preamble and Resolutions; and instead of any separate action upon the subject-matter, to send down to this House such proposals for any change of worship, as it may deem it expedient to be acted upon, in the manner required, by the Constitution of the Church, for making alterations in the Book of Common Prayer.

Which, on his motion, was referred to a Committee of Five. The President appointed on this Committee, Rev. Drs. Hawks, Mead, and Morrison, and Messrs. C. G. Memminger and J. Mason Campbell. (See p. 72.)

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, on behalf of the Rev. S. C. Thrall, providentially absent, offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Article III., after being amended as follows, be numbered Article II.

Article II. The General Convention shall be composed of two Houses. The Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction in the United States, with their Assistant Bishops, if any such there are, shall form one House, to be known as the House of Bishops. The Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be elected from all the Dioceses who have already, or shall hereafter have adopted this Constitution, shall form the other, to be known as the House of Deputies. Each House shall have power to originate acts, pass upon them, and send them to the other House for their action; and, on the concurrence of both Houses in such action, it shall become the law of the Church. The House of Bishops shall, on or before the third day after any action is sent to them by the House of Deputies, inform the House of Deputies of their concurrence or non-concurrence (the latter with their reasons

of $635.51. This deficiency is due to arrearages which have been carried forward from one Convention to another. The Treasurer's account shows $4,300.51 paid out, while the total resources paid in, or expected to be paid, are $3,665. With the rate of assessment adopted by the last Convention, the increase in the number of the Clergy may be computed to raise the income sufficiently to meet an economical expenditure by the present Convention. To meet the arrears long since advanced by the Treasurer from his private funds, your Committee recommend the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to draw upon the several Dioceses for their proportionate part of the indebtedness of this Convention.

Signed, FREDERICK GARDINER,
CHARLES BRECK,
JAMES H. THOMPSON,
W. H. BATTLE,
Committee on Expenses.

On motion the Resolution recommended in this Report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Cuming, Chairman of the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report, that they have given the Journal of the last General Convention as careful an examination as their time would admit, and think they have discovered the following to be the unfinished business left on its pages:—

Pages 35 and 147.—A resolution respecting a Committee to open a friendly intercourse with the Church in Sweden.

Pages 74 and 125.—A resolution respecting a Committee to prepare a Digest of the Canons of this Church.

Pages 77, 147, 151.—A resolution for the appointment of a person to correct typographical errors in the authorized version of the Holy Scriptures.

Page 124.—The Report of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, upon the Foreign Missionary Work of the Church.

Page 129.—A resolution by Rev. P. Trapier, respecting the appointment of a Committee upon issuing a stereotype edition of the Journals of this Convention.

Page 135.—On the subject of the Translation of the Prayer-Book into the Spanish language.

Pages 137, 140, 331.—A Message from the House of Bishops, in reference to a Canon, entitled "On Councils of Conciliation."

Pages 29, 306.—The Report of the Special Committee on the Judicial System of the Church.

Page 332.—The Correspondence in reference to the Episcopal Missionary Jurisdiction in China and Africa.

Pages 101, 137, 139, 331.—The consideration of certain Articles of the Constitution, viz., III. and VI., which have already engaged, in part, the attention of the Convention.

Pages 48, 177.—The subject of the Music of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,
F. H. CUMING, *Chairman.*

Mr. Henry A. Tayloe offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That from and after Monday next, the speeches of Members of this House, shall be restricted to fifteen minutes in duration, unless, by the unanimous leave of the House, the period be extended.

The President put the question on this Order, and it was adopted.

Mr. Memminger presented the following resolution:—

Whereas, The Preamble and Resolutions adopted by the House of Bishops on the 18th day of the last Session of the General Convention, in relation to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, and published in the Journal of the said Convention (see p. 339), have disturbed the uniformity of worship which should prevail throughout our Church, and have been received in various Parishes as lawful authority for deviating from the Rubric.

And, *Whereas*, In the opinion of this House, no such change can lawfully be made, except by the joint action of both Houses in General Convention, and made known to the several Dioceses, and adopted in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of the Church: Therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops is hereby respectfully requested to reconsider the said Preamble and Resolutions; and instead of any separate action upon the subject-matter, to send down to this House such proposals for any change of worship, as it may deem it expedient to be acted upon, in the manner required, by the Constitution of the Church, for making alterations in the Book of Common Prayer.

Which, on his motion, was referred to a Committee of Five. The President appointed on this Committee, Rev. Drs. Hawks, Mead, and Morrison, and Messrs. C. G. Memminger and J. Mason Campbell. (See p. 72.)

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, on behalf of the Rev. S. C. Thrall, providentially absent, offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Article III., after being amended as follows, be numbered Article II.

Article II. The General Convention shall be composed of two Houses. The Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction in the United States, with their Assistant Bishops, if any such there are, shall form one House, to be known as the House of Bishops. The Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be elected from all the Dioceses who have already, or shall hereafter have adopted this Constitution, shall form the other, to be known as the House of Deputies. Each House shall have power to originate acts, pass upon them, and send them to the other House for their action; and, on the concurrence of both Houses in such action, it shall become the law of the Church. The House of Bishops shall, on or before the third day after any action is sent to them by the House of Deputies, inform the House of Deputies of their concurrence or non-concurrence (the latter with their reasons

in writing if they see fit); and, on failure hereof, it shall have the force of law without the action of the House of Bishops: *Provided*, that any action of the House of Deputies which shall be sent to the House of Bishops later than the third day preceding the adjournment, shall become law only by the concurrent vote of both Houses. All acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of both Houses.

Resolved, That Article II. of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "Convention" in the sentence, and inserting the words "House of Deputies."

Resolved, That Article II., as thus amended, be hereafter numbered Article III.

Mr. H. D. Evans offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed to alter the Constitution as follows:—

1. Strike out the first three Articles.
2. Insert the following:

ARTICLE I. There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, consisting of a House of Bishops and a House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. The two Houses shall be co-ordinate, and each shall have a right to originate and propose any acts or resolutions which it may think proper, and to concur in or reject any act or resolution proposed by the other House.

ARTICLE II. The House of Bishops shall consist of all Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction within the United States, and of all Assistant Bishops canonically elected and consecrated for any Diocese in connection with the Convention. In the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both Clergy and Laity; such representation shall consist of not more than four Clergymen and four Laymen—communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions, when required by the Clerical and Lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE III. The General Convention shall meet on the first Wednesday in October, in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention; in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for. And this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention, freedom of debate shall be allowed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. F. Vinton, acting for the Rev. Mr. Thrall,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the House be directed to publish, in an Appendix to the Journal of this Convention, the Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Jonathan Mayhew Wainright, D.D., D.C.L., heretofore published in the Journal of 1853, correcting the typographical error, by which he is declared a "Deacon" at the time of his consecration, by striking out the word "Deacon," in said letter, and inserting the word "Oxon." (See Appendix N.)

The Rev. Dr. F. Vinton, for Mr. Thrall, offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be directed to prefix to the Clergy Lists, published in the Appendix to the Journal of the Convention, a list of the living Bishops of this Church in the order of their consecration. (See p. 339.)

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be directed to append to the Clergy Lists, published in the Appendix to the Journal of the Convention, under their proper Episcopal jurisdictions, a List of the Foreign Missionary Clergy in those jurisdictions. (See p. 459.)

Dr. Vinton, acting in the same behalf, offered the following:

Whereas, part of Section 2 of Canon I. of 1850, is in conflict with Article III. of the Constitution of this Church,

Resolved, That Section 2, Canon I. of 1850, be amended by striking out the words "be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor shall he."

Whereas, part of Section 5, Canon I. of 1850, conflicts with the discretion granted to Bishops by the Ordinal,

Resolved, That Section 5, Canon I. of 1850, be amended by striking out the words, "nor shall any Deacon so ordained be advanced to the

Order of Presbyters, who has not been in Deacons' Orders for at least one year."

Whereas, part of Section 4, of Canon II. of A. D. 1850, is in conflict with Art. III. of the Constitution,

Resolved, That Section 4, of Canon II. of 1850, be amended by striking out the words, "nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops."

All which, on motion of Dr. Francis Vinton, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following proposed Canon, presented by Mr. Hoffman, was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, referred to a special Committee of Five.

SECTION 3, Canon V., Title III.—1. Whenever a Church or Congregation shall have been organized in any Foreign country, not within the limits and jurisdiction of any Foreign Missionary Bishop, and shall, by its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, have acceded to and recognized the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and shall have declared its desire to be under the direction of the General Convention thereof, the same shall be subject to the Episcopal Government and Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, for the time being, of the House of Bishops.

2. Such Presiding Bishop may select an Assistant from the Bishops or Assistant Bishops of the Church, and may assign to him such Episcopal duties, and the exercise of such Episcopal powers, as he may think proper, in relation to such Church or Congregation.

3. Such Presiding Bishop, or such Assistant (if thereto authorized) may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop or Assistant Bishop of this Church, the performance of any Episcopal duties, and the exercise of any Episcopal power, in relation to such Church or Congregation, and for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

4. The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation shall, for the time being, and for all acts and matters done in such Foreign Country, or in discharge of duties in relation to such Church or Congregation, be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop or of such Assistant named by him as above provided, without reference to the Canonical residence within the United States.

The Chair appointed on the Committee to whom this Canon was referred, the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, the Rev. Drs. F. Vinton and Ford, and Messrs. Chambers and Taylor. (See p. 61.)

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Mason, appointed, at the last General Convention, Typographical Corrector for the proposed Standard Bible, presented a Report. (See Appendix L.)

Mr. James S. Johnston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider the expediency of so amending Canon VI. of 1832, entitled "Of

Assistant Bishops," as to limit the right of each and every Diocese having an Assistant Bishop, to a single vote on any question in the House of Bishops.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society were granted leave to retire for dispatch of business.

The Order of the Day, the hour having arrived for its consideration, was now called up, it being the question on the ratification of the proposed Amendment of the VIth Article of the Constitution.

Pending the discussion of this question, the stated hour of adjournment arrived. The debate was therefore suspended, the question not being mature for decision. (See p. 64.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, from the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to whom was referred the resolution respecting the election of Missionary Bishops (see p. 50), having had the same under consideration, beg leave respectfully to report the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring (see p. 174), that it is expedient to nominate and elect at this time two Missionary Bishops, one for the North West, and one for the South West.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. BACON STEVENS,
Chairman.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hill, this Report was made the Order of the Day for Friday, at 12 o'clock.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows: (See p. 170.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following preamble and resolution:

The Committee on the Amendment of the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 8, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, together with a proposed Amendment of Art. III. of the Constitution, beg leave to report that,

Whereas, The House of Bishops did not originate the proposed Amendment of the IIId Article of the Constitution, to wit: "In all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing), within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of law"; and

Whereas, the apparent effect of the Article, as now proposed, is to take from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the right to origi-

nate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Bishops; therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not agree to ratify the proposed Amendment to Art. III. of the Constitution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Howe,

Resolved, That two be added to the Committee on Mr. Memminger's resolution touching the preamble and resolutions passed by the House of Bishops at the last General Convention, on the use of the Book of Common Prayer.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Wm. Welsh and E. A. Newton.

On motion of Mr. Tazewell Taylor, the following preamble and resolution was adopted:

Whereas, the Presiding Bishop has appointed to-morrow, Thursday, the 13th instant, as the day on which the several Bishops-elect shall be (D. V.) consecrated; therefore,

Resolved, That when this House shall adjourn to-day, it be to meet on Friday, at 9½ o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Wm. Welsh,

Resolved, That the Virginia Delegation be a Committee to provide sittings for the Members of this House in the Churches where the Consecrations of the Bishops-elect shall be held on the morrow.

The House was adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 14th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of South Carolina, assisted by the Rev. Edward E. Ford, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Georgia.

Messrs. Isaac F. Redfield, Lay Deputy from *Vermont*, Edward Walcott, from *Rhode Island*, C. B. Goddard, from *Ohio*; and Mr. James H. Williams, as substitute for Mr. Edmund Weston, elected a Deputy from *Vermont*; and Mr. W. C. Rives (in place of Mr. Tazewell Taylor, Deputy from *Virginia*), not before present, appeared and took their seats as Members of this House.

The Minutes of Wednesday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt, for the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, made a partial Report, which, on his motion, was recommitted. (See p. 89.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Cuming,

Resolved, That in cases where the Secretary of a Convention of a ocese has omitted to send to the Secretary of the General Conven- a certified Copy of the election of Trustees of the General Theo- ical Seminary, the Journal of the Convention of such Diocese be eived as the evidence of such election.

A Message from the House of Bishops was received as lows: (See p. 169.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Depu- . that it has passed the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, t a Joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to devise a n for the creation of a Church-Building Fund, for the purpose of sting feeble Parishes and Congregations, at Missionary Stations, he erection of Church Edifices, and that the Committee report at present Session of the General Convention. Committee on the t of this House, Bishops Upfold, Clark, and Bowman. (See p. 78.)

Also the following: (See p. 169.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Depu- that it has adopted the following Preamble and Resolution:
The Joint Committee appointed at the Session of the General Con- tion of 1853, on the preparation of a Prayer Book in the Spanish nguage, and continued in the Convention of 1856, beg leave to ort:
That the work of publishing a Translation of the Book of Common yer in the Spanish Language, having been undertaken by other lies connected with the Church, there is no necessity for the further tinuance of the Committee. They therefore recommend the passage he following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that Committee be discharged. (See p. 135.)

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel, from the Special Committee on a posed Canon, "Of Ministers Officiating to Congregations Foreign Lands" (see p. 58), presented a Report, with the aft of a Canon on the subject, as follows:

The Special Committee to whom was referred a proposed Canon for Regulation and Government of Churches or Congregations in For- n Countries, not within the jurisdiction of Foreign Missionary hops, respectfully report:
That they have considered the important subject, and have framed anon accordingly.
The necessity of such a Canon grows out of the fact of the establish- nt of a Church and Congregation of Americans in the City of Paris, France, who, by their deliberate act, have desired to place them- es under the direction of the General Convention. The ease and quency of intercourse with the Continent of Europe, together with circumstance that Americans are residing in the Continental cities,

render it expedient, in the judgment of your Committee, that some provision should be made, to enable such residents to continue to worship God according to the Faith and Discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

And it especially behooves this General Convention to take under its protection and authority such Church or Congregation of American Citizens as have desired to be in Communion with this Church, and to be guarded by its shield and sceptre.

The Committee have specially considered the question whether any entangling alliances, or any unwise interference with Foreign powers, either ecclesiastical or political, could be consequential on the jurisdiction of this Church over its own members in Foreign Countries: and they assure this Convention that no evil of this character can, in their judgment, ensue. But, on the contrary, the Canon which shall recognize these foreign Congregations of Americans, will have an influence to maintain their allegiance, and to fix their affections toward the Episcopal Church in this land, and will tend to prevent them from wandering into error in religion, into viciousness of life, and into indifferency of conscience.

The object of the Canon, is to gather into the fold of Christ's Church the sheep and the lambs that are scattered abroad.

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Canon, and, if adopted, that it be sent to the House of Bishops for their concurrence. (See p. 64.)

Title . Canon III. Section III.

Canon, of Ministers ministering to Foreign Congregations.

1. Whenever a Church or Congregation shall have been organized in any Foreign Country, not within the limits and jurisdiction of any Foreign Missionary Bishop; and shall, by its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, have acceded to or recognized the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and shall have declared its desire, duly certified by the Minister, one Church Warden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees, to be under the direction of the General Convention thereof, the same shall be subject to the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, for the time being, of the House of Bishops.

2. Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop, or to any Assistant Bishop of this Church, the performance of any Episcopal duties, and the exercise of any Episcopal power in relation to such Church or Congregation, and for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

3. The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation shall, in all respects, be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, or of such Assistant Bishop named by him, as above provided, in the same manner as if he had Canonical residence within the United States.

Christian Hanckel,
Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, for the Joint Committee appointed

to nominate a Board of Missions, reported the following names:

The Joint Committee appointed to nominate to this House a Board of Missions, respectfully report the following names:—

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

CLERGY.

Rev. N. B. Crocker, D.D., Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., Rev. A. H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. J. L. Clark, D.D., Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D., Rev. T. C. Pitkin, D.D., Rev. A. C. Coxe, D.D., Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rev. C. P. Gadsden, Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, D.D., Rev. Mason Gallagher, Rev. M. H. Henderson, D.D., Rev. Benj. Watson, Rev. J. S. C. Greene, Rev. F. Gardiner, Rev. G. M. Randall, D.D., Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Wm. H. Lewis, D.D., Rev. Samuel Buel, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Rev. Benj. I. Haight, D.D., Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D.D., Rev. C. Minnigerode, D.D., Rev. J. H. Elliott, Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. M. A. DeWolfe Howe, D.D., Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D., Rev. George D. Cummins, D.D., Rev. Kingston Goddard, Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D.D., Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham, Rev. William C. Williams, Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Rev. J. A. Vaughan, D.D., Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. James H. Eames, Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. Thomas H. Vail, D.D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. Wm. F. Morgan, D.D., Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, D.D., Rev. R. B. Duane, Rev. J. B. Clemson, D.D., Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. C. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D., Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., Rev. George H. Clark, Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D., Rev. C. K. Nelson, D.D., Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. Charles Goodrich, D.D., Rev. Charles Gillette, Rev. C. T. Quintard, M.D., Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. J. C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. David Keene, Rev. John Ufford, Rev. Wm. H. Hill, Rev. C. M. Callaway, Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. Richard Newton, D.D., Rev. N. H. Schenck, Rev. T. B. Lyman, D.D., Rev. A. B. Atkins, Rev. George Leeds, Rev. C. B. Dana, Rev. John J. Brandegee, Rev. Montgomery Schuyler, D.D., Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D.

LAITY.

Mr. Wm. Appleton, Mr. E. F. Chambers, Mr. R. H. Gardiner, Mr. Alexander Duncan, Mr. S. H. Huntington, Mr. Robert S. Mason, Mr. D. B. Ryall, Mr. John Boblen, Mr. S. F. Dupont, Mr. R. B. Minturn, Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, Mr. H. P. Baldwin, Mr. John D. Phelan, Mr. James Potter, Mr. George S. Yerger, Mr. C. C. Trowbridge, Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. George M. Wharton, Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, Mr. T. H. Wright, M.D., Mr. S. J. Donaldson, Mr. John H. Swift, Mr. Wm. C. Smedes, Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. J. C. Hollister, Mr. Henry McFarlan, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Francis Wharton, Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. Stephen Cambreleng, Mr. Robert H. Ives, Mr. George D. Morgan, Mr. Benjamin Williamson, Mr. Wm.

Welsh, Mr. Thomas H. Powers, Mr. Simeon Ide, Mr. Victor Atwood, Mr. Wm. T. Lee, Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. George R. Fairbanks, Mr. John L. Lobdell, Mr. C. B. Nichols, Mr. A. H. Churchill, Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. John H. Kinzie, Mr. George H. Gill, Mr. J. A. Helfenstein, Mr. George Green, Mr. Edward Stanley, Mr. J. M. Bodine, M.D., Mr. Isaac Atwater,

All of which is respectfully submitted.

LEONIDAS POLK,
Chairman Com. House of Bishops.
WM. BACON STEVENS,
Chairman Com. House of Deputies.

Whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the persons nominated by the Joint Committee, to whom the duty of making such nomination was confided, be and the same are hereby appointed, on the part of this House, to be a "Board of Missions" for three years next ensuing. (See p. 77.)

The Rev. Dr. Randall presented and read a Memorial (see Appendix N.) from the Rev. Wm. O. Lamson, a Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church officiating in the City of Paris, France, which, together with the proposed Canon, "Of Ministers ministering to Foreign Congregations," was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See pp. 62, 141.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Vinton, *Ordered*, That when the Order of the Day shall have been disposed of, the Report of the Committee on Canons, respecting Canons I. and II. of 1853, shall come up for consideration.

The Order of the Day, to wit, the proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, was now called up.

Whereupon the Rev. Dr. Stevens moved, that the question on the ratification of the proposed Amendment be taken immediately.

Mr. E. F. Chambers offered the following:

Resolved, That the whole subject be laid upon the table.

The Chair put the question upon laying on the table, and it was decided in the negative.

The vote was then taken on the original resolution, and it was adopted, and the House proceeded to give its decision, voting by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy, there were Dioceses represented, 33. AYES, 2; NOES, 29; DIVIDED, 2.

Of the Laity, there were Dioceses represented, 32. AYES 1; NOES, 30; DIVIDED, 1.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Vermont.—Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., Rev. David H. Buel.—*Aye.*

Minnesota.—Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D., Rev. Ezra Jones—*Aye.* Rev. E. G. Gear—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Vermont.—Mr. Thomas F. Canfield, Mr. Sylvester Deming—*Aye.* Mr. Isaac H. Redfield—*Nay.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. George W. Durell, Rev. Asa Dalton—*Nay.*

New Hampshire.—Rev. Henry A. Coit, Rev. James H. Eames, Rev. L. G. Hubbard, D.D.—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., Rev. George Leeds, Rev. S. Brenton Shaw—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, D.D., Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D., Rev. W. H. Mills—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Rev. Junius M. Willey—*Nay.*

New York.—Rev. William Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, D.D., Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer D.D.—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Rev. Samuel R. Slack, Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Rev. William Pinkney, D.D., Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev. William Sparrow, D.D., Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D.D.—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. Blount Cheshire—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., Rev. Peter J Shand, Rev. Charles C. Pinckney, Rev. Alexander Glennie—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Rev. William H. Harison, Rev. William C. Williams Rev. William N. Hawks—*Nay.* Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D.—*Aye.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. Osgood E. Herrick, Rev Alfred A. Miller—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. E. Guion—*Nay.*

Texas.—Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. William T. D. Dalzell—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas W. Humes—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Robert McMurdy, Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D., Rev. F. M. Whittle—*Nay.*

Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, D.D., Rev. William R. Nicholson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Indiana.—Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Rev. James Runcie, Rev. Almon Gregory—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Theo. N. Morrison —*Nay.* Rev. Thomas N. Benedict—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. Robert E. Terry, Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., Rev. R. H. Weller—*Nay.*

Kansas.—Rev. C. M. Callaway—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Rev. Francis H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Levi H. Corson, Rev. John A. Wilson—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. William Adams, D.D., Rev. George B. Eastman, Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham—*Nay.* Rev. David Keene—*Aye.*

Iowa.—Rev. Robert D. Brooke—*Nay.*

California—Rev. W. H. Hill.—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner—*Nay.*

New Hampshire.—Mr. David Davis—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward A. Newton, Mr. Francis Hilliard—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Edward Walcott, Mr. Allen M. Thomas—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. William T. Lee, Mr. William W. Boardman.—*Nay.*

New York.—Mr. Samuel B. Ruggles, Mr. Cyrus Curtis—*Nay.* Mr Murray Hoffman—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Mr. Horatio Seymour, Mr. Joseph Juliand—*Nay.*

New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall, Mr. J. W. Miller, Mr. T. P Carpenter—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr William Welsh, Mr. Felix R. Brunot—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. William T. Read, Mr. William Cummins, M.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Tazewell Taylor—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. William H. Battle, Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M.D.—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Edward McCrady, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. R. F. W. Allston—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Mr. George A. Gordon—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. George R. Fairbanks, Mr. John Beard, Mr. James Filor—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe, Mr. A. W. Ellerbe, Mr. Robert T. Bunker—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Mr. George S. Yerger.—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Mr. A. P. Cleveland—*Nay.*

Texas.—Mr. Peter W. Gray—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. Francis B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett, Mr. Samuel Oldham, M.D.—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Mr. J. W. Stevenson—*Nay.*
Ohio.—Mr. John W. Andrews, Mr. C. B. Goddard, Mr. Bellamy Storer—*Nay.*
Indiana.—Mr. Ballard Smith—*Nay.*
Illinois.—Mr. Antrim Campbell, Mr. James G. Wilson—*Nay.* Mr. L. B. Otis—*Aye.*
Missouri.—Mr. Alfred Warner—*Nay.*
Michigan.—Mr. H. P. Baldwin, Mr. P. E. Demill—*Nay.*
Wisconsin.—Mr. A. L. Pritchard—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Mr. George Greene—*Nay.*
Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Iglehart, Mr. John L. Thorne—*Nay.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley, Mr. Joseph W. Winans—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

New Jersey.—Rev. John Kelly—*Aye.* Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.—*Nay.*
Alabama.—Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D., Rev. F. R. Hanson—*Aye.* Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. J. A. Massey—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Maryland.—Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.* Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers—*Nay.*

So the proposed Amendment was not ratified by this House.

The Rev. Mr. Burgess, moved to suspend the Order of the Day, that action might be had on the following resolutions:

Resolved, That on and after Monday, (17th inst.,) till otherwise ordered, this House will take a recess from 3 o'clock, P. M., of each day, except Saturday, till 7 o'clock, P. M., and hold Evening Sessions.

Resolved, That the resolution limiting speeches, upon any motion, to fifteen minutes each, be suspended at the Evening Session.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hill, the proposal to suspend the Order of the Day, was laid upon the table.

The Report of the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, then came up, in course, for consideration, embodying the following resolution, to wit: (See p. 59.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, (see p. 174,) that it is expedient to nominate and elect Two Missionary Bishops, one for the North West, and one for the South West.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

In gratitude for the unanimity with which this action

was taken, the House spontaneously rose and sung the "Gloria in Excelsis."

After Prayer and the Benediction by the President,

The House was adjourned.

NINTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 15th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. George B. Manser, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Vermont, assisted by the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Indiana.

Mr. Edward S. Rand, Jr., a Deputy from the Diocese of Massachusetts; and the Rev. Benjamin R. Gifford, as substitute for the Rev. Samuel Starr, a Deputy from the Diocese of Iowa, and Mr. Richard M'Allister, a Deputy from the same Diocese, appeared and took their seats.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Mr. Hoffman, on behalf of the Special Joint Committee, on the proposed Digest of Canons, (see p. 37,) made a Report in part, as follows:

The Joint Committee appointed to prepare and lay before the General Convention a Digest of the Canons of this Church, under appropriate Titles, Canons, and Sections, respectfully report, in part,

That they have compared the said Digest with the Text of the existing Canons, in every word, and have confined themselves to alterations of the following nature in such Digest:

Verbal and Clerical corrections.

Omissions of portions of existing canons which occasionally occurred, and the restitution of the original language in the instances in which it had been changed.

The substitution of a somewhat different phraseology, in some cases, in which it appeared clearly to the Committee, that the sense and intent of the law would be more clearly expressed and carried out.

The introduction of the word "Holy" before the word "Orders," where the ministry is designated, which in some cases had been omitted both in the original Text and Digest.

A notation of the collocation of Sections, or portions of Sections, in a few instances.

Some changes in the Titles of Canons better calculated to indicate the subjects of the provisions.

The Committee have also, from a minute comparison, satisfied themselves that no part of the existing Canons has been omitted.

The Committee are now engaged in executing the other part of the duty assigned to them, viz., in relation to the modifications of, or addi-

tions to the existing law, upon which they are not now prepared to report,

The Committee submit the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Digest of the Canons of this Church now submitted, be approved and adopted.

2. *Resolved*, That a Committee of Two be appointed to print such Digest in such form, and with such reference to previous Canons on the same subject, by way of note, or otherwise, as they shall see fit.

3. *Resolved*, That the following be prefixed to the said Digest:—

A Canon of Ratification.

The following are declared and adopted as the Canons for the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Passed in General Convention in Richmond, Virginia, October, 1859.

4. *Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, (see p. 176,) that during the remainder of this Session, all references to the Committee of either House upon Canons, shall be understood to be to the Joint Committee of both Houses.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Com. on Canons of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Com. on Canons of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

October 15th, 1859.

Mr. Hoffman moved that the first resolution appended to this Report be adopted.

The Rev. Dr. F. Vinton moved that the resolution be laid on the table, which was lost.

The question then recurring on the resolution, it was adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Hoffman, *Ordered*, That the second resolution recommended in the Report be laid upon the table.

The third resolution was, on motion of the same, disposed of in like manner.

The fourth resolution was adopted, as reported by the Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, Chairman of the Committee on Canons on the part of this House, presented the following Report.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the several Canons proposed as Amendments to Canon IX. of 1853, (see pp. 32, 51,) with instructions to report on the same on Saturday morning, respectfully report:

That they have had the same under consideration, and propose the following Canon for adoption by this House:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, (see p. 124,) that the following Canon be passed as a substitute for Canon IX. of 1853:—

Substitute for Section VII., Canon XII. of Title I. of the Digest.

SECTION VII.—*Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others.* 1. No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayer, or otherwise, in the Parish or within the parochial cure of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority of them.

2. The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions, for the Dioceses respectively. Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations, within the limits of other Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof; and in case of there being no Bishop, in the ecclesiastical authority.

3. Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law or otherwise, they shall, for the purposes of this Section, be settled and defined by the civil divisions of the State, as follows:

4. Parochial boundaries shall be the limits, as now fixed by law, of any village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or the limits of some division of a city or town, which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a parish or parochial cure.

5. If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a city or town as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there are two or more Congregations or Churches therein, it shall be deemed the cure of the Ministers thereof; and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary.

6. When, under Diocesan Authority, a new Parish is constituted, and its boundaries defined, this Section shall be applicable to the same as so established.

7. If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his cure, the Church-Wardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation, shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church, in any Diocese vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before-mentioned authority, to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

By Order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

e Rev. Dr. Stevens, from the same Committee, pre-
l a Minority Report as follows:

undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Canons, beg leave
ent from the report of the majority of said Committee, and for
lowing reasons:
ause it is a legislation by General Convention, upon a subject
we believe should be left solely to Diocesan action; because no
tive act on this subject can be so framed as to avoid the vexa-
questions and issues which will necessarily arise as to the con-
ion of said Canon; because the best way to regulate the building
irches, and organizing of Parishes, and ministering the Word, is
law of "supply and demand"; because it interferes with the
of the Laity, in matters pertaining to their highest spiritual
its; because, as in most cases, a cure of souls in these United
cannot be bounded by geographical limits, so no Canon should
med which shall limit that cure to a territorial district—which
t may necessarily exclude many who do belong to the Congrega-
the Parish so defined, and also necessarily include many who
to the cure of another Rector; because it is a law which, if
l out, will produce more evils than it will remedy; because it
w which will impede the growth of the Church.
Minority of the Committee therefore offer the following resolve:
olved, That, the House of Bishops concurring, the following
be adopted:—

Of Parish Boundaries.

on ., 1859. SECTION I.—Parish Boundaries in each Diocese
Church may be established by the Convention thereof.
TION 2, Canon IX. of 1853, is hereby repealed.

WM. BACON STEVENS.
JAMES CRAIK.
P. WILLIAMS.

e Reports above presented were made the Order of
ay, for 1 o'clock on Tuesday next. (See p. 111.)
e Rev. Dr. Howe, on behalf of the Committee on the
of the Church, reported in part as follows, with reso-
ns affixed:

Committee on the State of the Church respectfully report:
t it appears, from the statistics of the Church presented to them,
ere has been a very large increase of contributions for Church
es, and a consequent increase of the work of the Church, in its
priate sphere, within the last three years. While this is grati-
nd encouraging, all must feel that the Church has failed to reach
wn ability; and, in view of this fact, your Committee believe it
portant to inculcate the doctrine that it is the duty of every
r of this Communion to contribute a portion of his income,
r that income be small or great, to the support of the Church,
aried operations for preaching the Gospel and sustaining the
p of God. This duty they deem of fundamental, practical im-
ce, whether regard be had to the spiritual welfare of the con-
rs, or the enlargement and growth of the Church. This duty

of systematic and frequent giving of a portion of one's income, is as important to Christian character as any other Christian duty.

Your Committee believe that the emphatic expression of such opinion by the Convention, would prove of the greatest advantage at the present time. Your Committee present the following resolutions, viz.:

1. *Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of every member of the Church to consecrate a definite *percentage* of his income to the advancement of the cause of our Lord and Saviour.

2. *Resolved*, That systematic and frequent offerings by persons and Parishes, according to their ability, must be mainly relied upon, under the Divine blessing, for the enlargement of the benevolent operations of the Church.

3. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to all Clergymen in charge of Parishes, to bring their flocks, as near as practicable, to compliance with the spirit of the Apostolic direction to the Church in Corinth: "*Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him;*" and that, to this end, the clergy bring the subject especially to the attention of the people some time during the Advent season of each year.

4. *Resolved*, That the above resolutions be sent to the House of Bishops for their concurrence.

All which were, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Coxe, laid on the table, to be called up immediately after the disposal of the Order of the Day, on Monday. (See p. 116.)

The Rev. Dr. Hawks, for the Special Committee on the resolution of Mr. Memminger, bearing on the subject of the Canon "Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer," presented the following Report:

The Special Committee, to whom was referred a preamble and resolution relating to certain resolutions adopted by the House of Bishops respecting the use of the Book of Common Prayer, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report:

That, by the VIIIth Art. of the Constitution of the Church, the Book of Common Prayer, as adopted by the General Convention, is directed to be used in all the Dioceses which shall have adopted the Constitution; and no alteration or addition shall be made to the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and, by a resolve thereof, made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention. The effect of this Article is to make the whole Book of Common Prayer, with all its Rubrics and Ritual, as authoritative as any Article of the Constitution; and we are not remitted to tradition or ancient usage to ascertain the form of worship thus sanctioned, but the express words of the Constitution point us to the Book established by the General Convention.

We therefore have as a starting-point a written document, unalterable except by the General Convention, after communication with the Dioceses. The General Convention is a body composed of two

uses. It follows of necessity that the concurrence of both is neces-
y to effect any lawful change, and that the separate action of either
st be submitted to the other, before it can have any legal efficacy.
It appears to your Committee, that written law is chiefly valuable,
that it cannot be changed, saving by interpretation or new enact-
nts made by lawful authority. Interpretation of the law, in cases
t come up for adjudication, is the office of a court. Any more
neral interpretation is only another name for a legislative enactment,
d, like an enactment, would require the sanction of the law-making
wer.
Your Committee have most carefully considered the preamble and
olutions of the House of Bishops, which form the subject-matter of
resolution referred to them, and can regard them in no other light
an as an exercise of legislative authority. They possess none of the
aracteristics of a judicial act. No case is made, no parties appear,
court is organized. There is not a single feature which professes
be judicial.
Here, then, is a general interpretation of the intent and meaning of
Ritual and of Rubrics, by resolutions of one branch of a legislative
dy. Such resolutions, if they have any legal force, are in fact a
clarative statute. Of course, the other co-ordinate branch of the
islative body must have the same right, and may pass resolutions
ntrary to those of the other body. These, too, must have the same
al force; and we are thus presented with the anomaly of two statutes
the same government, in direct conflict with each other. The only
ernative to this anomaly is to consider the action of each body as
hoate legislation, having no binding efficacy until transmitted to
other body, and adopted by them.
The action of the House of Bishops, in the matter under considera-
n, seems to your Committee to be a legislative proceeding. With-
t entering upon other considerations, there is one which seems to
ur Committee to be conclusive. The resolutions assert that the
vices of the Church, being separate services, may, as in former
es, be used separately, and then adds, under the advice of the
shop of the Diocese.
If indeed the services are separate and might be used separately,
n as there was no Rubric or Canon limiting the discretion of the
nister, the clause in the resolution which subjects the matter to the
vice of the Bishop, is entirely new, and gives an earmark to the
ole enactment; and the third resolution authorizes the whole Book
Common Prayer to be set aside in certain cases, of which the
shop of the Diocese is constituted the sole judge.
Your Committee consider it the well-established order of this Church,
t no law can be enacted or changed without the concurrence of the
shops, the Clergy, and the Laity. In the Worship and Doctrines
the Church they all have an equal interest, and, for the security of
h, the Book of Common Prayer, the Administration of the Sacra-
nts, and other rites and ceremonies of the Church, the Articles of
ligion, and the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Conse-
ting Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, were made part of the Consti-
ion of the Church. If the Bishops can in any manner change these
rticulars, then the rights of the Clergy and Laity are infringed; and
n should the Clergy make a change, with the advice or consent of

the Bishop, the rights of the Laity are infringed, and the change cannot have the force of law until they all consent.

Upon the whole matter, then, it seems to your Committee that the separate action of the House of Bishops, as published in the Journal of the Convention, is an infringement of the privileges of this House; and that it becomes a solemn duty which we owe to ourselves, to our constituents, to the Church, and to our posterity, to take appropriate action upon the matter. Such an infringement, even in cases of ordinary legislation, would present grave considerations. But in a case like this, where the Prayer Book and the Constitution; where the rights of Clergy and Laity; where the order and good government of the Church are involved, the matter assumes the gravest importance.

Believing these views to be founded on truth and justice, your Committee entertain the hope that they will have weight in inducing the Right Reverend Bishops to reconsider their action. The preamble and resolution referred to your Committee are conceived in that Christian spirit which directs us to apply, in the first instance, to our brother to correct what we think an error; and therefore meet our approbation. No opinion whatever is expressed upon the expediency of the measures proposed by the House of Bishops. All that is asked for, is the recognition of the just rights of this House as a co-ordinate branch of the General Convention, and each member is left free to act as he shall see fit, upon any measures that may be proposed.

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the preamble and resolution referred to them.

FRANCIS L. HAWKS.
C. G. MEMMINGER.
WM. COOPER MEAD.
J. H. MORRISON.
J. MASON CAMPBELL.
EDWARD A. NEWTON.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, this Report, with the resolution affixed, was ordered to be printed, and to be assigned as the Order of the Day for Tuesday next, at 12 o'clock. (See p. 99.)

Mr. Wm. Welsh, a Minority of the same Committee, made a counter Report as follows, which, on motion of Mr. Hoffman, the Secretary was directed also to have printed, and that it be made the Order of the Day for Tuesday next:

The undersigned, as a member of the Committee appointed to consider the preamble and resolution offered by Mr. Memminger, respectfully reports:

That he cannot unite with his colleagues in asking this House to pass the preamble and resolution referred for the consideration of the Committee, for the following reasons:

1st. Because the preamble and resolution of the Bishops is not offici-

ally in possession of this House, and therefore should not be considered by it.

2d. Because Mr. Memminger's preamble and resolution asserts that the *House of Bishops* adopted the preamble and resolutions, implying that the action was by *that House* as a co-ordinate branch of the General Convention, and consequently subject to revision by this House, whereas it is to be viewed as merely a concurrence of the Bishops sitting as a Synod or Council, answering a Memorial of various Presbyters, addressed to the Bishops, only asking that a commission of Bishops be appointed to consider whether some means could not be devised to better adapt the Episcopal Church to the social necessities of the day, etc.

3d. Because there was no adequate testimony presented to the Committee to substantiate what is asserted in the preamble, that the uniformity of the worship in our Church has been disturbed by the action of the Bishops, whilst my own observation, and the testimony of impartial witnesses, lead me to believe that the efficiency in the ministrations of our Church has been greatly promoted in the true spirit of the first Christian Council, where it was charged thus, "that it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things."

4th. Because the proposed preamble and resolution is aimed at one of the prerogatives of the Bishops, as invariably acknowledged by this House, that is, of interpreting the Rubrics and regulating the worship in *accordance with the Book of Common Prayer*. When decisions are asked for by this House, an answer is sent to it not for revision, but for information. When questions are submitted by others, no notice to this House is required. It may be seen in the Journal of 1847, that similar questions may originate elsewhere.

5th. Because the adoption of such a preamble and resolution could be of no possible benefit, whilst it would seem to cast reproach upon the Bishops for doing that which they, through the commission, expressly disclaim any intention of doing, as will be seen in the Appendix of Journal of 1856, from which I quote:

"It has been the purpose of the commission, however, so far as their present labors go, to leave the Prayer Book untouched: they have also doubted how far the consideration of such proposed alterations would fall within the duty assigned to them; and at all events, they felt that if any alterations of the Prayer Book were proposed, the House of Deputies would be entitled to take part in the preliminary discussions connected with them."

The authority for the Bishops to prepare and publish Forms of Prayer for occasions not provided for, can be seen in Canon XLVII.: "Of Forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving for Extraordinary Occasions."

The Bishop of each Diocese may compose Forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Dioceses, or other places within the bounds of this Church, in which there is no Bishop, may use the Form of Prayer or Thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.

I append the preamble and resolutions approved by the Bishops, as expressing their views of the interpretation of the Rubrics; and if they are examined carefully by unprejudiced minds, they will not be found to conflict with a fair interpretation of the Rubrics. Before the adoption of this interpretation by the Bishops, each Deacon, Presbyter, and Bishop determined for himself what was public worship; what the special occasions requiring some variation from the Rubrics; hence there was great diversity in their construction. The Bishops having concurred in some general principles, greater rubrical conformity will result therefrom.

"PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, the use of the Book of Common Prayer, as regulated by custom, has special reference to established Parish Churches, and to a population already incorporated with the Church:

And *Whereas*, our actual work is, or should be, among many, not yet connected with our Congregations, or where there are no established Parishes, and where said Parishes are yet in their infancy:

And *Whereas* there are or may be, in different Dioceses, peculiar emergencies, arising out of the character or condition of certain portions of the population, which demand some special services:

And *Whereas*, the Book of Common Prayer should be so used as most effectively to cherish true devotion, and set forth the Gospel and work of Christ, and contribute to the extension of his kingdom among men:

And *Whereas*, the House of Bishops have heretofore expressed opinions as to usages which may be allowed under existing Rubrics and Canons: therefore,

Resolved, as the opinion of the Bishops,

1. That the order of Morning Prayer, the Litany, and the Communion Service, being separate Offices, may, as in former times, be used separately, under the advice of the Bishop of the Diocese."

The separation of the Offices referred to in the first resolution, was usual in England until the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and is now allowed by their Bishops. This separation was practiced in Bishop White's time, and has been ever since in many churches. This resolution declares that the advice of the Bishops should be asked.

"2. That on special occasions, or at extraordinary services, not otherwise provided for, Ministers may, at their discretion, use such parts of the Book of Common Prayer, and such lesson or lessons from Holy Scripture, as shall, in their judgment, tend most to edification."

In the second resolution, the Bishops authorize the use of the Common Prayer Book instead of themselves composing forms as authorized by Canon XLVII.

"3. That the Bishops of the several Dioceses may provide such special services as, in their judgment, shall be required by the peculiar spiritual necessities of any class or portion of the population within said Dioceses, provided that such services shall not take the place of the services or Offices of the Book of Common Prayer in Congregations capable of its use."

The third resolution was meant to provide for the case of persons too degraded to use the Book of Common Prayer.

That the whole subject may be fully considered, I offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the preamble and resolution submitted to this Committee for consideration, together with Canons XLV. and XLVII. of 1832, be referred to a joint Committee of the two Houses, to consider and report, at the next General Convention, what modifications, if any, are needed in the mode of conducting the services of the Church, or in the use of the Book of Common Prayer, in established Parish Churches, and in the Missionary field, Foreign and Domestic.

WM. WELSH,
Minority of Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Henry M. Mason presented the Report of the Committee on Intercourse with the Church of Sweden, which, on his motion, was made the Order of the Day for Wednesday of next week, at 1 o'clock. (See p. 120.)

A Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows: (See p. 176.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the resolutions reported by the Joint Committee on Canons, relating to the Digest, having filled the blank with the words, "the Joint Committee on Canons."

The following Message also was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 176.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in appointing, as a Board of Missions for three years next ensuing, the persons nominated to this House by the Joint Committee of the two Houses appointed for that purpose (see p. 63), and sent to this House in Message No. 11 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens presented the following proposed Amendment of Canon I. of 1850, which, on his motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 119.)

Canon I. of 1850.—SECTION 7. Every such Bishop may yearly appoint not less than two, or more than five, presbyters, resident within his Missionary jurisdiction, and acting under the appointment of the Board of Missions of this Church, to act as a Standing Committee in such Missionary Jurisdiction, upon all questions pertaining to the interest of such Missionary Jurisdiction; and in case of the absence of the Bishop from his jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, said Standing Committee shall be the ecclesiastical authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction.

Resolved, That Section 7, of Canon I. of 1850, be marked as Section 8 of said Canon.

Mr. Bunker offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this House adjourn on Friday, the 21st inst.

Which resolution was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. F. Vinton, for the present laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Winans,

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference be appointed on the part of this House, to select and report to the Convention the place of meeting of the next General Convention. (See p. 82.)

The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Clarkson and Higbee, and the Rev. Mr. Shand, Mr. F. H. Huntington, and Mr. Joseph W. Winans, on the part of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Littlejohn presented the following Preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

Whereas, the House of Bishops has informed this House of the passage of the following resolution, "That a Joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to devise a plan for the creation of a Church-Building Fund, for the purpose of assisting feeble Parishes and Congregations at Missionary Stations, requiring that the Committee shall report at the next General Convention, and that Bishops Upfold, Clark, and Bowman, had been appointed as such Committee on the part of the House of Bishops"; therefore,

Resolved, That the above resolution be adopted by this House, and that three of its members be appointed upon this Committee.

Mr. Hoffman offered the following Canon as a substitute for Canon XX., Title I., which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

SECTION 1. Every Minister who may officiate in any Church, Chapel, or other place of public worship, shall, before all sermons and lectures, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church, and in performing said service, no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said Book.

SECTION 2. The preceding Section shall not apply to cases of a meeting in such Church, Chapel, or other place of public worship, held for the purpose of aiding any missionary, charitable, or ecclesiastical society or enterprise; nor where services are held, or sermons or lectures delivered in the open air: provided, however, that in all such cases one or more of the Collects, the Lord's Prayer, and the Confession, and either the Apostles' or Nicene Creed, shall be used; and no other prayer than such as is contained in the said Book shall be used.

SECTION 3. The term Church, Chapel, or other place of public worship, shall be construed to mean, for the purposes of this Canon, any building owned or held for the purposes of stated public worship, and which has been used for stated public worship for the space of one year.

SECTION 4. The Bishop of each Diocese may, by general regulation,

authorize the use, separately, of the order of Morning Prayer, the Litany, and Communion Service, provided such permission shall not be construed to authorize the entire omission of either service.

SECTION 5. It shall be lawful for any Bishop, or Missionary Bishop of this Church, to select such parts of the Book of Common Prayer, and such Lessons, Anthems, Psalms and Hymns, as shall be suitable to be used by any Minister or Missionary of this Church, wherever there is no organized Church or Congregation, having had stated public worship in some fixed place for the period of one year: provided that the Lord's Prayer, Confession, and either the Apostles' or the Nicene Creed, shall form part of such selection. The Bishop may, from time to time, vary or add to such selection.

Canon XX., of Title I. of the Digest, is hereby repealed.

The Rev. Mr. Burgess having called up the resolution offered by him yesterday, viz.: That, after Monday next, the House take a recess from 3 until 7 o'clock, and hold Evening Sessions—the resolution was adopted.

The hour for the Order of the Day now arrived, to wit: the Report of the Committee on Canons, respecting Canons I. and II. of 1853. (See p. 64.)

It was accordingly taken from the file and read (see p. 48), as also the resolution of the Rev. Dr. F. Vinton (see p. 80), which occasioned the reference of those Canons to the Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Vinton moved to strike out all after the word "Resolved," in the resolution recommended by the Committee, and insert in lieu thereof the words of his resolution, as offered on the Third day of the Session.

On motion of Mr. E. F. Chambers, the whole subject was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Coxe, the Canon recorded on pages 102–3 of the Journal of 1856, (which Canon contained the clause repealing Canons I. and II. of 1853), was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 106.)

The House was adjourned.

TENTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 17th, 1859

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

and Secretary of the House, assisted by the Rev. Junius M. Willey, a Deputy from the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Mr. William Cornwall, a Deputy from the Diocese of Kentucky, and Mr. William Armor, as Substitute for Mr. William H. Stevens, a Deputy from the Diocese of Tennessee, appeared and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan for the Committee on Elections, reported, recommending that leave of absence be granted for the remainder of the Session, to the Rev. Dr. Cuming, of Michigan, Mr. J. H. Thompson, of New Jersey, and Mr. Allen M. Thomas, of Rhode Island; and, on motion, leave was granted accordingly.

The Rev. Dr. H. M. Mason, from the Committee on a Standard Bible, made the following Report:—

Report of the Committee on Typographical Errors.

The Committee to whom, at the last General Convention, was referred the subject of Typographical Errors in the authorized version of the Holy Scriptures, with a view to the proposed Standard for this Church, respectfully report:

That since the last meeting of the General Convention, much progress has been made toward the attainment of a Standard Bible for the Church in this country; an object which the various acts of the great Council of the Church, through a long period of time, manifest to have been greatly desired, and which at no period was more desirable than it is now. Your Committee are of opinion that the present Standard, declared such at the Convention of 1823, being that of Eyre and Strahan, printed by Woodfall, should, with the exception of Typographical Errors, be the basis of the proposed Standard. That in order to avoid whatever Typographical Errors may there exist, the Edition of the Oxford Press of 1852 should be followed in the text; as it appears, from the testimony of the Superintendent of that Press, delivered before a Committee of the House of Commons, that a high premium offered for the detection of each error, has resulted in the detection of but three, in the lapse of the last twenty years.

Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the House of Bishops consenting, a Joint Committee be appointed, to whom shall be submitted the proof-sheets of the proposed Standard, as they consecutively appear from the press of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, after having undergone the examination of a Typographical Corrector, who shall be guided by the present Standard of this Church, except the Typographical Errors to be corrected by the Edition of 1852, printed at Oxford.

2. That a Typographical Corrector be appointed to carry out the above resolution.

ıat the Joint Committee have authority to issue the Bible so , as the Standard Edition of this Church.

HENRY M. MASON, *Chairman.*
M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE,
CHARLES W. ANDREWS,
HUGH DAVY EVANS.

ı three resolutions recommended in the Report were, ıtion, severally adopted.

ı Rev. Mr. Hill then moved, that the Rev. Dr. H. M. ı be appointed Typographical Corrector. The Chair .e question on this nomination, and it was confirmed.

ı Rev. Dr. Howe, for the Committee on the State of ıurch, presented the following:

Committee on the State of the Church, beg leave to offer the ıg resolution:

lved, That the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, be ed to report to this House their action under the Canon, during ıt three years; and whether any, and if any, what steps have ıken by them to secure an Act of Incorporation for the Board ıorized by the Canon.

ı resolution was adopted. (See p. 116.)

ı President announced the appointment of the Rev. ıittlejohn and Talbot, and Mr. William Welsh, to be ıt Committee on the part of this House, to act with a ommittee, appointed by the House of Bishops to de- ıd report a plan for the creation of a Church Building (See p. 78.)

motion of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn,

ılved, That the Committee on the State of the Church, be re- ı to prepare and publish in their Report, in Tabular Form, the ics of the last fifteen years, in regard to the increase of Com- ınts, Parishes, and Dioceses; also an approximate statement of ısent number of Congregations in the Church unprovided with r Clerical services, and the present number of occupied Churches different Dioceses.

nessage from the House of Bishops was received, to llowing effect, viz.: (See p. 178.)

House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Depu- ıat it has passed the following resolution:

ılved, That a Committee of Conference on the part of this House, ıointed to confer with a Committee already appointed by the of Clerical and Lay Deputies, (see p. 78.) to determine the ıf the next General Convention. Committee, Bishops Johns, ıkry, and Kemper.

ıo, the following: (See p. 178.)

House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Depu- ıat it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that clause third of Section VII. of Canon XIII., Title II. of the Digest (on the last line but one of page 35, as printed in the Report,) is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

(3.) In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Episcopate shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That this House concur in the proposed Amendment above communicated.

Mr. B. B. Richards offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the General Convention of 1862, and each succeeding General Convention, as follows, to wit:

Each Diocese reporting at its last Diocesan Convention, prior to the assembling of any General Convention, not more than fifty Clergymen within said Diocese, shall be entitled to Two Clerical, and Two Lay Deputies; each Diocese reporting not more than one hundred Clergymen, shall be entitled to Three Clerical, and Three Lay Deputies; each Diocese reporting more than one hundred Clergymen, shall be entitled to Four Clerical, and Four Lay Deputies.

The resolution was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Clarkson, laid upon the table.

The Rev. Dr. Clarkson, for the Committee of Conference on the place of meeting of next General Convention, (see p. 78,) reported as follows:

The Committee of Conference to whom was referred the place of the meeting of the next Convention, report, that the Joint Committee on the subject unanimously recommend to the House the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, (see p. 85,) that the next Session of the General Convention be held in the City of New York.

R. H. CLARKSON, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton presented the following proposed Canon, which, on his motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 86.)

CANON.

Whenever a Diocese shall be organized within the jurisdiction of a Missionary Bishop, he may, at his pleasure, become the Bishop of the same without election; *provided* that he shall at the same time resign his jurisdiction as Missionary Bishop.

Mr. A. H. Churchill offered the following proposed Amendment of Article IX. of the Constitution, which was,

on his motion, referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 86.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, (see p. 86,) that it is expedient to amend the Constitution by substituting for the IXth Article of the same, the following:

Article IX. This Constitution shall be unalterable, except it may be amended, as follows:

The General Convention may propose Amendments to the Constitution to the Conventions of the respective Dioceses; and whenever any Amendment so proposed, shall have been ratified by the Conventions of three-fifths of the Dioceses at the time in connection with this Church, then said Amendment shall form a part of the Constitution. *Provided* that such ratification shall be made before the next Stated Triennial Meeting of the General Convention.

Mr. George S. Yerger, a Deputy from Mississippi, asked leave of absence for the remainder of the Session; which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, was granted.

The Order of the Day, to wit, the Report of the Standing Committee on the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society, was now presented, as follows:

The Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, respectfully report,

That they have had laid before them the several Reports from the Missionary Bishops of this Church, (see pp. 31, 37.) and those holding special commissions to act as such, (see pp. 31, 42.) and also Reports from the several foreign fields occupied by the Board of Missions of this Church. (See pp. 36, 31.) These have been considered in their order, and their several statements and provisions have engaged as much of the time and deliberation of this Committee as the peculiar circumstances of the Committee permitted.

The Committee deem it unnecessary to prepare any argumentative paper on the importance and value of the Missionary Work, or to spread upon the Journals an elaborate detail of the work done and laid out to be done by the Board of Missions, and the several Missionaries. The reports of the various Bishops and Missionary statistics will be printed with the Journal as part of the documents of the Committee, and will thus be accessible to all members of the same. (See Appendix E.)

As the result of their earnest deliberations, and as embodying their unanimous opinions, the Committee beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

1st. That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies approves the establishment of the Mission in Japan, the establishment of a Mission to Brazil, and the expansion of the Missions to China and Africa.

2d. That this House recommend to the Board of Missions, the taking such measures toward the establishment of a Mission or Missions, to the Spanish Main of South America, Central America and Mexico, as may be deemed proper in the judgment of the Foreign Committee.

3d. That as the expansion of Missions already established, Domestic and Foreign, and the establishment of new stations in still unoccupied

fields, will require as a minimum for their support, not far from two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, this House would urge upon each Member of this Church, the imperative duty of contributing something to the Missionary Work of this Church.

4th. *Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop in China, be understood to include provisionally the Missions which are or may be established in the Empire of Japan.

5th. *Resolved*, That the House learns with pleasure, that the long pending differences connected with the jurisdictions respectively of the English Bishop of Victoria, and the Missionary Bishop of this Church in China, have been satisfactorily adjusted by the Lord Bishop of Victoria confining his jurisdiction to the Province of Chi-Kiang, and the Missionary Bishop to China to the Province of Kiang-Su.

6th. *Resolved*, That it is a matter of sincere congratulation and thanksgiving, that the Debt of the Domestic Committee has, through the exertions of its indefatigable Secretary and General Agent, been paid off, and that that Committee presents itself before the Convention free from debt.

7th. *Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be authorized and requested to cause a more general diffusion of Missionary Intelligence, and a more general collection of funds, either by Local Agents or by the formation of Auxiliary District Societies, as they may judge expedient under the direction of the Bishop of the Diocese.

8th. *Whereas*, The spirit of toleration in Religious concernments is cherished by the American people, and is guarded by the American Constitution:

And, *Whereas*, In the Island of Cuba, American Citizens professing the Religion of Protestants are not tolerated; their worship is not allowed; their dead are not buried with Christian Burial; nor are the bodies of their deceased permitted by the law, without oppressive exactions, to be deported to their native land for Sepulture:

Therefore, *Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that a Joint Committee be appointed to address a Memorial to the President of the United States, in the name and behalf of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, requesting His Excellency, as the Supreme Executive of the Nation, to address the Court of Her Catholic Majesty in Spain, on this subject, and to take measures by treaty to procure for American Citizens in Cuba, the liberty to establish the Protestant Worship and the Protestant Ministry, with liberty to hold real estate sufficient for suitable Churches and Church-yards; and, that all except sanitary restrictions on the deportation of the dead be abolished in Cuba.

In behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM BACON STEVENS, *Chairman.*

The question being on the adoption of these resolutions,

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Higbee, the first resolution was divided, so as to take the vote on each proposition contained in it, singly, and in order.

The vote of the House was then taken on the several parts of the first resolution, and they were all adopted.

The second resolution recommended by the Committee was then submitted to the judgment of the House, and on motion approved, as were also successively the third, fourth and fifth resolutions.

The Chair announced as the Committee on the Standard Bible—Rev. Drs. H. M. Mason, Howe, and Andrews, Mr. Evans, Mr. Newton, Rev. Mr. Weaver, and W. H. Bell. (See p. 96.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 179.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in appointing New York as the place of Meeting of the next General Convention. (See p. 82.)

Two more of the resolutions presented by the Committee were then successively adopted by the House.

Pending the discussion of the last resolution, respecting the expediency of memorializing the Executive of the United States, with a view to the securing a measure of relief from the oppressive restrictions under which Protestants from these States labor, when sojourning temporarily on the Island of Cuba, the stated hour of adjournment arrived.

And the President declared the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 18th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Rhode Island, assisted by the Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of New Jersey.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Elections recommend that leave of absence be granted to the following gentlemen, who have made application for the same:—Mr. Francis Hilliard, of Massachusetts; the Rev. J. H. Ingraham, LL.D., of Mississippi; Mr. Murray Hoffman, of New York, for the rest of the Session: Mr. J. W. Winans, of California; Mr. P. E. Demill, of Michigan; Mr. J. H. Miller, of New Jersey, from and after to-morrow morning.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mahan, leave of absence was granted to the persons enumerated in the Report.

On motion, *Ordered*, that leave of absence be granted also to the Rev. William C. Crane, a Deputy from Mississippi.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, presented the following report

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Amendment of Article IX. of the Constitution, (see p. 83,) having considered the same, respectfully report, that in their opinion, said proposed Amendment is inexpedient.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

October 18*th*, 1859.

Also the following:—

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Canon concerning Missionary Bishops, (see p. 82,) have had the same under their consideration, and respectfully report, that in their view it is at present inexpedient to legislate on the subject embraced in the said Canon,

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman, &c.*

Dr. Mead also presented the following:—

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred certain proposed amendments of Articles II. and III. of the Constitution, (see p. 56,) respectfully report, that in their opinion, it is not expedient, at this time, to recommend the proposed Amendments of the Constitution.

Signed, JOHN WILLIAMS,
Chairman pro tem., of Joint Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Mr. Hoffman, for the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:—

The Joint Committee on Canons report as follows:—

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon II. of Title IV. of the Digest. (See p. 139.)

Of the Repeal, Amendment, and Enactment of New Canons.

In all cases of future enactments, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form:

Canon ——— (or Section ———of Canon ———or Clause———of Section———of Canon ———)of Title———is hereby amended, so as to read as follows ———————

And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next Section, or next Clause

of a Canon, or Section, in order of numbering of the Title, to which the subject properly belongs. And if a Canon, or Section, or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed. The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each Session of the Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, and to report the same with a proper arrangement thereof to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

They further report as follows: (See p. 139.)

Resolved, That the following Canon be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon III. of Title IV. of the Digest.

Of the time of these Canons taking Effect.

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1860; from and after which day, all other Canons of this Church are hereby and shall be deemed to be repealed. *Provided*, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons, committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Committee of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Committee of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Mr. Hoffman also presented the following:—

The Joint Committee on Canons report the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the following be adopted, as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Section III., of Canon V., of Title III., of the Digest. (See p. 125.)

Of Congregations, or Parishes, in Foreign Countries.

1. It shall be lawful for persons belonging to this Church, but resident in any Foreign Country, (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the Colonies and Dependencies thereof,) not within the limits of any Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, to organize as a Church or Congregation.

2. Such Church or Congregation shall be required in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize, and accede to, the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

3. In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Church-Warden, and two Vestrymen, or Trustees; and to furnish satisfactory evidence that the establishment of such a Church, or Congregation, has been authorized by or is not inconsistent with the laws of the Government of the Foreign Country in which the same is, or is proposed to be established.

4. Such Certificate and Evidence, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention, during its Session, or to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops,

at any other time; and, in case the same are found satisfactory, such Church, or Congregation, shall thereupon become subject to, and placed under the Episcopal Government and Jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop, for the time being.

5. Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, the exercise of any Episcopal power, or function, in relation to such Church, or Congregation, for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

6. The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation, shall in all respects be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, or of such other Bishop named by him, as above provided, while in charge of such Church, or Congregation.

By order of the Committee,

J. WILLIAMS,
Chairman pro tem. of Committee of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Committee of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Mr. Hoffman, for the Committee on Canons, reported the following:—

The Joint Committee on Canons report the following resolution, providing a Substitute for Canon V., of Title II., of the Digest, (formerly XXXIV. of 1832.)

Resolved, That Canon V., of Title II., is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

"Section 1, Title II., Canon V., Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations."

1. In cases of controversy between any Rector or Assistant Minister of any church or parish, and the Vestry or Congregation of such Church or Parish, which cannot be settled by themselves, the parties, or either of them, may make application to the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall thereupon require the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make a list of nineteen Presbyters thereof, if there be so many therein, and return the same to him. He shall then summon the said Rector or Assistant, and some one of the Vestry, or some one on the part of the Congregation, to attend, and the said number shall be reduced to nine, by striking off the names alternately by the Rector or Assistant Minister and such other party. The Rector or Assistant Minister to commence striking off.

2. If the whole number of Presbyters in the Diocese, be more than nine and less than nineteen, then all the Presbyters must be named on such list, and the striking off shall proceed in the manner aforesaid until nine remain. If the number be nine or less, then all the Presbyters are to be summoned. Should either party omit or decline to strike off names, the Bishop shall strike off in the stead of such party so omitting or declining.

3. The Presbyters thus selected or designated, shall be summoned by the Bishop to attend at some convenient time and place to consider such controversy.

SECTION II. If it shall appear to the Bishop and a majority of such Presbyters thus summoned, that there is no hope of a favorable termination of such controversy, and that a dissolution of the connection

between such Rector, or Assistant Minister, and Congregation, is necessary to restore the peace of the Church, and promote its prosperity, the Bishop and such Presbyters shall recommend to such Minister to relinquish his connection with such Church or Parish on such conditions as may appear to them proper and reasonable.

SECTION III. If any Rector or Assistant Minister shall refuse to comply with the recommendation of the Bishop and Presbyters, they may proceed, according to the Canons of this Church, to suspend him from the exercise of any ministerial functions within the Diocese, until he shall retract his refusal; or, if the Vestry or Congregation shall refuse to comply with any such recommendation, they shall not be allowed any representation in the Diocesan Convention until they shall have retracted their refusal.

SECTION IV. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese shall perform all the duties herein allotted to the Bishop, as well as those directed to be performed by them: *Provided* that they shall not exercise any power under the preceding third Section, without the aid and consent of some Bishop of this Church.

SECTION. V. This Canon shall not be obligatory upon any Diocese which has made or shall hereafter make provision by Canon upon this subject.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN WILLIAMS,
Chairman pro tem. of Committee of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Committee of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Chairman of Committee on General Theological Seminary, offered the following Report:—(See p. 60.)

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, to whom was referred the Triennial Report of the Trustees of said Seminary, with the Documents accompanying that Report; (see p. 29,) and also the Certificates of the nomination of Trustees, from various Dioceses, beg leave to report:

That your Committee have received the Reports of the Election of Trustees from all but seven of the Dioceses, stating the names Trustees elected in said Dioceses, respectively, and which are contained in the List hereto annexed.

From the seven Dioceses from which no reports have been received, the Committee are only to infer, that it is the design of their respective Conventions, that the former Trustees shall continue in office, until others shall be appointed in their stead.

The Dioceses from which no Reports have been received, are the following, viz.:—California, Kansas, Minnesota, Mississippi, Vermont, Virginia, Ohio.

The Committee have also attentively examined the Triennial Report of the General Theological Seminary, referred to them by the Convention. It contains, in addition to the usual statements in respect to the funds and condition of the Seminary, important information as to the alleged inability of the Trustees to concur, either on legal or moral

grounds, in the changes proposed in the Third and Fourth Articles of the Constitution of the Seminary; and also as to the action of the Board, in respect to the residence of Trustees; and also as to their action on the proposed removal of the Seminary.

The Committee respectfully return the Report to the Convention, (see Appendix G,) to the end that they may have it before them for consideration.

From Certificates and Journals, the Committee offer the following, as Trustees from the different Dioceses:

Diocese of Maine is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. George Slattery, Rev. Roger B. Howard, and Robert H. Gardiner, Esq.

Diocese of New Hampshire is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Henry A. Coit, and Mr. Joshua W. Pierce.

Diocese of Massachusetts is entitled to *eleven* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Samnel Fuller, D.D., Rev. Theodore Edson, D.D., Rev. W. S. Child, Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D., Rev. Theodore W. Snow, Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., Rev. Charles Mason, D.D., Rev. Samuel B. Shaw, Mr. George C. Shattuck, Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, Mr. William A. Crocker.

Diocese of Rhode Island is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. N. B. Crocker, D.D., Rev. Hobart Williams, Rev. H. Waterman, D.D., Mr. Alexander Duncan.

The Diocese of Connecticut is entitled to *eighteen* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. William C. Mead, D.D., Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, D.D., Rev. Robert A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D.D., Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, D.D., Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, D.D., Rev. Giles S. Deshon, Rev. Julius M. Willey, Rev. William W. Bronson, Rev. Benj. W. Stone, Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, Mr. Samuel H. Huntington, Mr. John Ferguson. Mr. P. H. Jewett, Mr. Rufus E. Hitchcock. Mr. Erastus Williams. Mr. Jonathan Godfrey.

Diocese of New York is entitled to *sixty-four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Wm. Berrian, D.D., Rev. John M'Vickar, D.D., Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Henry Anthon, D.D., Rev. John Brown, D.D., Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D.D., Rev. Samuel Seabury, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Robert Harris, D.D., Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, D.D., Rev. Edward N. Mead, Rev. Robert B. Van Kleck, D.D., Rev. Wm. L. Johnson, D.D., Rev. Joseph H. Price, D.D., Rev. Wm. Walton, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., Rev. Wm. E. Eigenbrodt, D.D., Rev. Albert Traver, Rev. A. B. Hart, Rev. Wm. Watson, Rev. Geo. B. Andrews, Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D.D., LL.D., Rev. Samuel Buel, Rev. P. T. Babbit, Rev. J. A. Spencer, D.D., Rev. Joshua Weaver, Rev. Alfred B. Beach, D.D., Rev. C. S. Henry, D.D., Rev. F. L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D., Rev. I. H. Tuttle, Rev. Wm. F. Morgan, D.D., Rev. Theo. A. Eaton, Rev. J. Ireland Tucker, D.D., Mr. Floyd Smith, Mr. Wm. A. Harison, Mr. Julian C. Verplanck, Mr. Jas. M. Wells, Mr. John A. Dix, Mr. W. B. Holmes, Mr. Isaac A. Johnson, Mr. Charles N. S. Rowland, Mr. John A. King, Mr. John R. Livingston, Mr. John W. Mitchell, Mr. Nathan B. Warren, Mr. Abel T. Anderson, Mr. Hamilton Fish, Mr. Martin Lee, Mr. Clement C. Moore, Mr. Murray Hoffman, Mr. Jonathan Burnett, Mr. Cyrus Curtiss, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. Robert W. Weir, Mr. Charles Davis, Mr. Wm. H. Bell, Mr. Elias Butler, Mr. Abraham B.

Sands, Mr. John Bard, Mr. Washington Irving, Mr. Geo. T. Strong, Mr. Anthony J. Bleecker, Mr. Homer Ramsdell. One vacancy.

Diocese of Western New York is entitled to *twenty-one* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D., Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, D.D., Rev. Andrew Hull, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. E. H. Cressey, D.D., Rev. Edward Ingersoll, D.D., Rev. M. Van Rensselaer, D.D., Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, D.D., Rev. Geo. G. Gillespie, D.D., Rev. P. P. Kidder, Rev. William B. Ashley, D.D., Rev. Lloyd Windsor, Mr. Joseph Juliand, Mr. Thomas Rochester, Mr. John E. Hinman, Mr. William C. Pierrepont, Mr. Horatio Seymour, Mr. William S. De Zeng, Mr. F. W. Hubbard, P. B. Peckham, William B. Douglass.

Diocese of New Jersey is entitled to *twelve* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. James A. Williams, Rev. Philander Cady, Rev. Harry Finch, Rev. Thos. F. Billopp, Rev. R. N. Merritt, Mr. J. W. Condit, Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D. Mr. James E. Garthwaite, Mr. Franklin Smith, Mr. E. B. D. Ogden, Mr. Thos. H. Whitney, Mr. Richard S. Field.

Diocese of Pennsylvania is entitled to *thirty-three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Rev. Daniel Washburn, Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D., Rev. H. W. Ducachet, D.D., Rev. G. E. Hare, D.D., Rev. Theo. A. Hopkins, Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. C. F. McRae, Rev. Henry Morton, D.D., Rev. G. W. Natt, Rev. John Rodney, Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rev. C. W. Thompson, Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D., Rev. Samuel Cox, Mr. Richard C. M'Murtrie, Mr. Horace Binney, Mr. John Bohlen, Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. Benjamin Gerhard, Mr. George L. Harrison, Mr. A. L. Hayes, Mr. Hopewell Hepburn, Mr. Peter M'Call, Mr. Edward Olmsted, Mr. Thomas Robins, Mr. James A. Smith, Mr. G. M. Stroud, Mr. Tobias Wagner, Mr. John R. Wilmer.

Diocese of Delaware is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Stevens Parker, and Edward G. Bradford, Esq.

Diocese of Maryland is entitled to *twenty* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. W. E. Wyatt, D.D., Rev. Joseph Spencer, D.D., Rev. John Wiley, Rev. H. M. Mason, D.D., Rev. Thomas J. Wyatt, Rev. S. R. Gordon, Rev. C. K. Nelson, D.D., Rev. Meyer Lewin, Rev. Russel Trevett, D.D., Rev. Orlando Hutton, Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, Rev. Theodore B. Barber, Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D., Mr. J. M. Campbell, Mr. Pearson Chapman, Mr. E. F. Chambers, Mr. J. B. Eccleston, Mr. Thos. S. Alexander, Mr. John G. Chapman, Mr. Henry Chamberlaine.

Diocese of Virginia. No report.

Diocese of North Carolina is entitled to *eight* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D.D., Rev. Albert Smedes, D.D., Rev. E. M. Forbes, Mr. Thomas Ruffin, Mr. Geo. W. Mordecai, Mr. Joshua Collins, Mr. A. J. De Rosset.

Diocese of South Carolina is entitled to *eighteen* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Paul Trapier, Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D., Rev. J. R. Walker, D.D., Rev. A. Glennie, Rev. W. H. Hanckel, Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. E. Reed, Rev. J. B. Campbell, Rev. Wm. Dehon, Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Mr. Charles Sinkler, Mr. J. J. P. Smith, Mr. N. R. Middleton, Mr. R. W. Barnwell, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, Mr. B. Huger, M.D., Mr. W. E. Martin.

Diocese of Georgia is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. John T. Price, Rev. William H. Clarke, Mr. R. H. Gardiner, Jr.

Diocese of Florida is entitled to *one* Trustee, and has nominated the Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D.

Diocese of Alabama is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. William A. Stickney, Mr. M. J. Conley, Mr. A. W. Ellerbe.

Diocese of Mississippi. No report.

Diocese of Louisiana is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. W. E. Phillips, Rev. J. W. Stickney, Hon. G. S. Guion, Mr. J. R. Chambers.

Diocese of Texas is entitled to *two* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rev. C. Gillette.

Diocese of Kentucky is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. R. W. M'Murdy, Rev. J. M. Norton, Rev. Francis M. Whittle.

Diocese of Ohio. No report.

Diocese of Indiana is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Rev. Stephen A. Battin, Rev. John B. Wakefield.

Diocese of Illinois is entitled to *eight* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. T. N. Benedict, Rev. E. B. Tuttle, Rev. Henry Stanley, Rev. H. N. Bishop, Hon. L. B. Otis, Mr. Antrim Campbell, Mr. C. R. Larrabee.

Diocese of Missouri is entitled to *three* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. S. Y. M'Masters, LL.D., Hon. Robert N. Smith.

Diocese of Michigan is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. F. H. Cuming, D.D., Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Mr. J. Adams Allen, M.D., Mr. R. E. Wood.

Diocese of Wisconsin is entitled to *five* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. A. D. Cole, D.D., Rev. Wm. Adams, D.D., Rev. George B. Eastman, Rev. L. W. Russ, Rev. James De Koven.

Diocese of Iowa is entitled to *four* Trustees, and has nominated the Rev. Edward W. Peet, Rev. Samuel Starr, Rev. Alfred Louderback, Hon. George Greene.

The nominations of Trustees contained in this Report, were, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, confirmed; and the persons so named elected. (See p. 140.)

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt, on behalf of the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for Relief of Widows and Orphans, &c., presented the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed by the House to nominate a Board of Trustees for the management of the next three years of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, nominate the following persons: the Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., the Rev. John H. Hobart, D.D., the Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., Hon. Hamilton Fish, Hon. Luther Bradish, Robert B. Minturn, Esq., and Josiah Collins, Esq. (See p. 183.)

The Chair put the question on the approval of this nomination, and it was confirmed.

The Rev. Dr. Howe, from the Committee on the State of the Church, acting under Section I., Canon XI., of 1853, nominated to the House, Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund as follows, viz.: Messrs. R. B. Minturn and Cyrus B. Curtis, of New York, Horace White, of Syracuse, S. H. Huntington, of Hartford, Connecticut, and Herman Cope, of Philadelphia.

On motion, the gentlemen nominated in this Report were appointed Trustees.

The Rev. Dr. Clarkson, called up a resolution in reference to the final adjournment of this Convention, which had been postponed on a previous day. (See p. 78.)

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, *Ordered,* that the resolution be laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire what legislation is required on the subject of resigned Bishops assuming the position of Parochial Ministers. (See p. 118.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Higbee,

Resolved, That it is expedient to have reprinted the Journals of the General Convention, from A. D. 1789, to A. D. 1853, inclusive, together with an analytical index of the same.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inquire into the probable cost of this reprinting, to consider the best mode of accomplishing it, and to report, if possible, during the present Convention. (See p. 131.)

The Rev. Dr. Stevens offered the following proposed Canon; which on his motion was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 107.)

Of the Trial of Ministers within the Jurisdiction of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

Title I., Canon XIII., SECTION 8.—1. If any Minister of this Church acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the provisions of Canon II., Title II. —"Of Offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished"; or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop, such Clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church, which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary jurisdiction, provided that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committe; or, if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

2. The Court for the trial of such Minister shall consist of five Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee; or, if there be not five, then of all the Presbyters of such Missionary jurisdiction. If there be more than five, then shall the Standing Committee select by lot the five who shall compose the Court; which Court shall proceed in the trial according to the Canons of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in so far as the same may be applicable to such a case: and where no provision is made adequate to the exigency, the Court shall consider and adjudge the case according to the principles of law and equity.

3. The sentence of the Court shall be rendered to the Bishop of such Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall have power to revise and modify the same; and the decision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton,

Resolved, That a Committee of Five be appointed to examine and report to the next General Convention whether it be advisable, expedient, and practicable, to effect a severance of the General Convention from all direct connection with the General Theological Seminary, and, if so, the best mode in which that severance may be effected. (See p. 98.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens,

Resolved, That this Committee of Five be appointed by the House. (See p. 98.)

The Rev. Mr. Pinckney presented the following resolution:

Whereas, There appears to be a growing conviction in the mind of our Church in favor of changing our relationship to the General Theological Seminary; therefore,

Resolved, That the Special Committee just appointed be requested to devise a plan for changing the General Theological Seminary into a Diocesan Institution, and ceding it to the Diocese of New York, upon just and equitable terms.

On motion of Mr. W. H. Battle, the resolution was laid upon the table (see p. 98), to give place to the Order of the Day.

The Order of the Day, to wit, the last resolution reported by the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, touching the restrictions on American Protestants in the Island of Cuba, now came up for consideration. (See p. 84.)

Pending the discussion of this subject, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit: (See p. 174.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That all the portions of our Country north of 36° 30′, not yet organized into Dioceses, or included within Missionary Districts, be within the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the North West.

Resolved, That all those portions of our Country south of 36° 30′,

not yet organized into Dioceses, be within the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the South West.

Also the following: (See p. 182.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary do inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that this House nominates to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Connecticut, as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and the Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, Alabama, Missionary Bishop of the South West.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clarkson, the Order of the Day was suspended for the purpose of taking up the matter communicated in these Messages. *Whereupon*, on his motion,

Resolved, That the House proceed, at 7 o'clock, after suitable devotions, to act on the nomination of the Missionary Bishops, nominated to this House by the House of Bishops.

The consideration of the Order of the Day was resumed. Various amendments and substitutes were proposed to the resolution as presented by the Standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, which were subsequently withdrawn to give place to the following Amendment, offered by Mr. Philip Williams.

Whilst the members of this House most anxiously desire to see the right of worship and of sepulture secured to our countrymen in the Island of Cuba, yet as the action of this House, as an organized religious body, may perhaps become a dangerous precedent, and be used hereafter as a reason for interfering with the politics of the Country: therefore,

Resolved, That the Report be recommitted to the Committee, with instructions to omit the resolution. (See p. 108.)

The question being submitted to the House on this preamble and resolution, it was adopted.

According to an order adopted by the House on Saturday last, the House took a recess until 7 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed business at 7 o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Mead moved that the House now proceed to vote on the nominations of the House of Bishops for Missionary Bishops of the North West and of the South West respectively, by ballot.

Mr. Conrad moved to amend, by substituting the words "*viva voce*" for the word "ballot." The question being taken on the amendment, it was lost.

The original resolution was then adopted.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Shelton and Clarkson tellers, to receive and count the votes of the Clergy on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Clark as Missionary Bishop of the North West; and Mr. Wm. T. Lee and Mr. R. S. Bunker, as tellers of the votes of the Laity.

The Deputation from the Diocese of Pennsylvania called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

The President now called the House to join him in appropriate devotions; which being ended, the Secretary proceeded to call the Dioceses to vote on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Clark.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops as follows: (See p. 183.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the appointment of a Joint Committee to correct the proof-sheets of the Bible, as transmitted to this House in Message No. 17 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (see p. 80). Committee on the part of this House, Bishops Whittingham, Elliott, Burgess, H. Potter, and Odenheimer.

Also the following: (See p. 180.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the resolutions and Canons reported by the Joint Committee on Canons, entitled Canons II. and III., of Title IV. of the Digest. (See pp. 86–87.)

While the tellers of the ballot on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Clark were engaged in the count of the vote,

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Hallam and the Rev. Mr. Hill, as tellers of the Clerical vote to be taken on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Lay as Missionary Bishop of the South West, and Messrs. B. B. Richards and Geo. R. Fairbanks, as tellers of the Lay vote.

The Secretary proceeded to call the Dioceses to vote on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Lay.

While this was proceeding, the tellers of the vote on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Clark reported respectively: that, on the part of the Clergy, 33 Dioceses were represented; of these, 30 voted YEA, 3 NAY. 26 Dioceses represented by the Laity; of these, 24 voted YEA, 2 NAY. *Whereupon*, the President announced the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., elected Missionary Bishop of the North West.

The tellers of the vote on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Lay reported as follows: that, on the part of the Clergy, 33 Dioceses were represented; of these, 33 voted AYE. Of the Laity, 26 Dioceses represented; 26 AYES.

The President announced the election of the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the South West.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That this House proceed at once to sign the Testimonials of the Missionary Bishops-elect.

So soon as the Testimonials were signed,

On motion, the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 19th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. William H. Hill, a Deputy from the Diocese of California, assisted by the Rev. Alexander Burgess, a Deputy from the Diocese of Maine.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Committee on Elections made the following Report:—

The Committee on Elections report that leave of absence has been asked by the following gentlemen: the Rev. Mr. Keene, of *Wisconsin*, the Rev. W. T. D. Dalzell, of *Texas*, and the Rev. Wm. H. Hill, of *California*. Also,

That the Rev. J. M. Mitchell has been duly appointed Supplemental Deputy from the Diocese of *Alabama*, in place of the Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D., who has resigned.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mahan,

Resolved, That leave of absence be granted to the Members who have been reported as having asked for it.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, *Ordered*, that the Committee appointed on the part of this House to take measures for the creation of a Church-Building Fund (see p. 81), be enlarged by the addition of two Members.

Mr. H. P. Baldwin and Mr. Cyrus Curtis were thereupon appointed.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit: (See p. 183.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the nomination of the Board of Trustees "for the management of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, &c.," made to this House by the Joint Committee, and have appointed the persons so nominated said Board of Trustees for the three years next ensuing. (See p. 92.)

Also the following: (See p. 190.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That all those portions of our Country north of a line running along the northern boundary of the Cherokee country and New Mexico, until it reaches the Diocese of California, not yet organized into Dioceses, or included within Missionary Districts, be within the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the North West.

Resolved, That all those portions of our Country south of a line running along the northern boundary of the Cherokee country and New Mexico, until it reaches the Diocese of California, not yet organized into Dioceses, or included within Missionary Districts, together with Arkansas, be within the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the South West.

The Rev. Mr. Kelly nominated, on the Committee to which was yesterday committed the question of the expediency and practicability of effecting a severance of the General Theological Seminary from all direct connection with the General Convention (see p. 94), the Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., the Rev. Mr. Pinckney, the Rev. Dr. Mead, Hon. Murray Hoffman, and Hon. Judge Conyngham; who were thereupon appointed.

The Resolution offered yesterday by the Rev. Mr. Pinckney, on the subject of changing the General Theological Seminary into a Diocesan Institution (see p. 94), was, on motion, referred to the same Committee.

Mr. George R. Fairbanks presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do assent to the Consecration of the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and of the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the South West.

Which, on his motion, was for the present laid on the table.

The Rev. Dr. C. W. Fitch offered the following: *Ordered*, that the Secretary be instructed, in making up the Journal,

arrange the lists of the Dioceses alphabetically, in all aces where they occur.

A division having been called for, the motion was lost.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. F. Vinton, *Ordered*, that it be ferred to the Committee on Expenses, to provide for the st of the copies of the "Richmond Enquirer," distributed ery morning in this House for the use of the Members, th power to draw for the same. (See p. 119.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Craik,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a Special Committee, consisting of Members of each House, be appointed to nsider and report to the next General Convention upon the whole bject of the Hymnody and Metrical Psalmody of the Church, and pecially to inquire whether any improvement can be introduced into r present collection of Hymns and Metrical Psalms.

On motion, the blank was filled with "Five." (See p. 100.)

The President announced the following as the Committee reprinting the Old Journals of the General Convention, ntemplated in a resolution yesterday passed by this House: ie Rev. Dr. Higbee, New York, the Rev. Mr. Willey, nnecticut, the Rev. Wm. S. Perry, New Hampshire, Mr. B. Ruggles, New York, Mr. Simeon Ide, N. Hampshire.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Higbee, the Secretary was ded to the Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, *Ordered*, that the rert of the Committee on the subject of the Preamble and solutions of the Bishops, printed in the Appendix to the urnal of 1856, concerning the use of the Book of Common ayer, be made at once the Order of the Day. (See p. 72.)

Pending the discussion of the report of the Committee, e Rev. Dr. Coxe offered the following as a substitute for e Preamble and Resolution recommended by a majority the Committee:

Whereas, The Preamble and Resolutions adopted by the House of shops on the 18th day of the last session of the General Convention, relation to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, and published the Journal of the said Convention, have been considered by some sufficient ground for disturbing the uniformity of worship which ould prevail throughout the Church, and have been received in various urishes as lawful authority for deviating from the Rubrics,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Canons XLV. and LVII. of 1832 be referred to a Joint Committee of the two Houses, consider and report, at the next General Convention, what modifitions, if any, are needed in said Canons.

D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D., Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D., Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. John Kelly—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. Pinkney, D.D., Rev. H. M. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D.—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rev. Alexander Glennie—*Nay.* Rev. Charles C. Pinckney—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D., Rev. William H. Harison, Rev. Wm. N. Hawks—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Aye.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. Osgood E. Herrick, Rev. Alfred A. Miller, Rev. W. Trebell Saunders—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Mitchell, Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. J. A. Massey—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas J. Pickett—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Theo. N. Morrison, Rev. Thomas N. Benedict—*Nay.* Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. R. H. Weller—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Levi H. Corson—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. William Adams, D.D., Rev. George B. Eastman —*Nay.*

Minnesota.—Rev. E. G. Gear, Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D., Rev. Ezra Jones—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward A. Newton, Mr. Edward S. Rand, Jr. —*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Edward Walcott—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. Wm. T. Lee, Mr. Samuel H. Huntington—*Nay.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. Joseph Juliand—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Edward McCrady, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. R. F. W. Allston—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. George R. Fairbanks, Mr. John Beard, Mr. James Filor—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe, Mr. Robert T. Bunker—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Mr. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D.—*Nay.*

Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Iglehart—*Nay.*

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Asa Dalton—*Aye.* Rev. Geo. W. Durell, Rev. Frederick Gardiner—*Nay.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. David H. Buel—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel R. Slack, Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Aye.* Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. Benjamin Franklin—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. Blount Cheshire—*Aye.* Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D.—*Nay.*

Indiana.—Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. James Runcie—*Aye.* Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Rev. Almon Gregory—*Nay.*

Kansas.—Rev. Charles Reynolds—*Aye.* Rev. N. O. Preston—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Iowa.—Mr. Richard McAlister—*Aye.* Mr. B. B. Richards—*Nay.*

So the proposal to indefinitely postpone was lost.

The vote was next taken on the question,

Will the House amend the substitute offered by the Rev. Dr. Coxe, as proposed by the Rev. Dr. Mahan?

Which was decided in the affirmative.

This being determined, the House came to a direct vote on the adoption of the amendment of the Rev. Dr. Mahan.

The Deputation of Connecticut called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Thirty-one Dioceses were represented by the Clergy.

Of these, 21 voted AYE. 9 voted NAY. DIVIDED, 1.

Twenty-one Dioceses were represented by the Laity.

Of these, 15 voted AYE. 6 voted NAY.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. George W. Durell, Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Asa Dalton—*Aye.*

New Hampshire.—Rev. James H. Eames, Rev. Wm. S. Perry—*Aye.* Rev. Henry A. Coit—*Nay.*

Vermont.—Rev. David H. Buel—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, D.D., Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D., Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rev. W. H. Mills—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D.—*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee,

D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D., Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D., Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rev. John Kelly—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. Pinkney, D.D., Rev. H. M. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D.—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rev. Alexander Glennie—*Nay.* Rev. Charles C. Pinckney—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D., Rev. William H. Harison, Rev. Wm. N. Hawks—*Nay.* Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Aye.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. Osgood E. Herrick, Rev. Alfred A. Miller, Rev. W. Trebell Saunders—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Mitchell, Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Rev. J. A. Massey—*Nay.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas J. Pickett—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Theo. N. Morrison, Rev. Thomas N. Benedict—*Nay.* Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. R. H. Weller—*Nay.*

Michigan.—Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Levi H. Corson—*Nay.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. William Adams, D.D., Rev. George B. Eastman —*Nay.*

Minnesota.—Rev. E. G. Gear, Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D., Rev. Ezra Jones—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide—*Nay.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward A. Newton, Mr. Edward S. Rand, Jr. —*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Edward Walcott—*Nay.*

Connecticut.—Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. Wm. T. Lee, Mr. Samuel H. Huntington—*Nay.*

New York.—Mr. Murray Hoffman—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. Joseph Juliand—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Nay.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Edward McCrady, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. R. F. W. Allston—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter—*Nay.*

Florida.—Mr. George R. Fairbanks, Mr. John Beard, Mr. James Filor—*Nay.*

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe, Mr. Robert T. Bunker—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Mr. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D.—*Nay.*

Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Iglehart—*Nay.*

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. Asa Dalton—*Aye.* Rev. Geo. W. Durell, Rev. Frederick Gardiner—*Nay.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. David H. Buel —*Nay.*

Delaware.—Rev. Samuel R. Slack, Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Aye.* Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. Benjamin Franklin—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. Blount Cheshire—*Aye.* Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D.—*Nay.*

Indiana.—Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. James Runcie—*Aye.* Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Rev. Almon Gregory—*Nay.*

Kansas.—Rev. Charles Reynolds—*Aye.* Rev. N. O. Preston—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Iowa.—Mr. Richard McAlister—*Aye.* Mr. B. B. Richards—*Nay.*

So the proposal to indefinitely postpone was lost.

The vote was next taken on the question,

Will the House amend the substitute offered by the Rev. Dr. Coxe, as proposed by the Rev. Dr. Mahan?

Which was decided in the affirmative.

This being determined, the House came to a direct vote on the adoption of the amendment of the Rev. Dr. Mahan.

The Deputation of Connecticut called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Thirty-one Dioceses were represented by the Clergy.

Of these, 21 voted AYE. 9 voted NAY. DIVIDED, 1.

Twenty-one Dioceses were represented by the Laity.

Of these, 15 voted AYE. 6 voted NAY.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. George W. Durell, Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Asa Dalton—*Aye.*

New Hampshire.—Rev. James H. Eames, Rev. Wm. S. Perry—*Aye.* Rev. Henry A. Coit—*Nay.*

Vermont.—Rev. David H. Buel—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, D.D., Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D., Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rev. W. H. Mills—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D. —*Aye.*

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee,

D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Nay.*

Western New York.—Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D., Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D., Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D.—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. Pinkney, D.D., Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D.—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. Blount Cheshire—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rev. Alexander Glennie—*Aye.* Rev. Charles C. Pinckney—*Nay.*

Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D., Rev. William H. Harison, Rev. William N. Hawks—*Aye.* Rev. William C. Williams—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. Osgood E. Herrick, Rev. Alfred A. Miller, Rev. W. Trebell Saunders—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. A. Massey, Rev. J. M. Mitchell—*Aye.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Rev. Almon Gregory—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Thomas N. Benedict—*Aye.* Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D.—*Nay.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. R. H. Weller—*Aye.*

Michigan.—Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Levi H. Corson—*Aye.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. William Adams, D.D., Rev. George B. Eastman —*Aye.*

Minnesota.—Rev. E. G. Gear, Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. Ezra Jones—*Aye.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward A. Newton, Mr. Edward S. Rand, Jr. —*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Edward Walcott—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. William T. Lee, Mr. Samuel Huntington—*Aye.*

New York.—Mr. Samuel B. Ruggles—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Mr. Washington Hunt, Mr. Joseph Juliand —*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Mr. Edward McCrady, Mr. C. G. Memminger, Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith, Mr. R. F. W. Allston—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter—*Aye.*

Florida.—Mr. George R. Fairbanks, Mr. John Beard, Mr. James Filor—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe, Mr. Robert T. Bunker—*Aye.*

Louisiana.—Mr. Wm. N. Mercer, M.D.—*Aye.*

Iowa.—Mr. B. B. Richards, Mr. Richard McAlister—*Aye.*

Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Iglehart—*Aye.*

California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Massachusetts.—Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., Rev. George Leeds —*Nay.* Rev. S. Brenton Shaw—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.—*Nay.*

Virginia.—Rev, Charles W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D.D., Rev. Charles Minnigerode, D.D.—*Nay.*

Louisiana.—Rev. E. Guion—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas J. Pickett—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Rev. Robert McMurdy, Rev. F. M. Whittle—*Nay.* Rev. James Craik, D.D.—*Aye.*

Ohio.—Rev. Robert B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D.—*Aye.*

Iowa.—Rev. B. R. Gifford—*Nay.*

California.—Rev. W. H. Hill—*Nay.*

LAITY.

Vermont.—Mr. Isaac H. Redfield, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Mr. James H. Williams—*Nay.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. William Welsh, Mr. Felix R. Brunot—*Nay.*

Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Du Pont, U. S. N., Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. William Cummins, M.D.—*Nay.* Mr. William T. Read—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. D. H. Conrad, Mr. Tazewell Taylor—*Nay.*

Tennessee.—Mr. Francis B. Fogg—*Nay.*

Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

Delaware.—Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. Benjamin Franklin—*Aye.* Rev. Samuel R. Slack, Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Nay.*

So the preamble and resolution of Dr. Mahan were adopted. (See pp. 100, 143.)

On motion the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., October 20th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Wm. Shelton, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Western New York, assisted by the Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Illinois.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings, were read, corrected, and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan, for the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Elections report that leave of absence has been asked by the Rev. Dr. McMasters, of *Missouri*, and Mr. Alfred Warner, of the same Diocese; by the Rev. Dr. Quintard, of *Tennessee;* Mr. Washington Hunt, of *Western New York;* Mr. Thomas H. Wright, M.D., of *North Carolina;* and Mr. J. W. Andrews, of *Ohio:* and recommend that it be granted.

On motion, leave was granted accordingly.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Reports:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to which was referred the proposed Canon to be entitled "Canon, of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon," (see p. 79,) report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon VII., of Title II. of the Digest. (See p. 126.)

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

1. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon VI. of this Title, abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical authority as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself. Notice shall then be given to the said Minister, by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

2. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed.

Provided, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.

The Joint Committee further report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon IX., of Title II. of the Digest. (See p. 126.)

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop.

If any Bishop shall, without availing himself of the provisions of

Section XIV., Canon XIII., of Title I., abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact, to the Senior Bishop; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Bishop himself. Notice shall then be given to the said Bishop, by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop, with the consent of the majority of the House of Bishops, to depose from the Ministry the Bishop so certified as abandoning, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Bishops, that he has been so deposed.

Provided, nevertheless, that if the Bishop so certified as abandoning shall transmit to the Senior Bishop a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.

By order of the Joint Committee,

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Deputies.

October 19*th*, 1859.

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the consideration of a Canon, "Of the trial of Ministers within the Jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop," (see p. 93,) respectfully report:

That they have considered, and approve the same, and report it as Clause 8, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I. (See p. 126.)

Of the Trial of Ministers within the Jurisdiction of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

1. If any Minister of this Church, acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the provisions of Canon II., Title II., "Of offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished"; or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop, such Clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary Jurisdiction, provided that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committee; or, if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

2. The court for the trial of such Minister shall consist of five Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee; or, if there be not five, then of all the members of such Missionary jurisdiction. If there be more than five, then shall the Standing Committee select by lot the five who shall compose the court, which court shall proceed in the trial according to the Canons of the General Convention of the

Protestant Episcopal Church, in so far as the same may be applicable to such a case; and where no provision is made adequate to the exigency, the court shall consider and adjudge the case according to the principles of law and equity.

3. The sentence of the court shall be rendered to the Bishop of such Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall have power to revise and modify the same; and the decision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive.

By order of the Committee,

WM. ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Deputies.

October 19th, 1859.

The Joint Committee on Canons respectfully recommend that Canon I., Title II., be amended by adding to it a third Section, and offer the following resolution to that effect:

Resolved, That, by the concurrence of both Houses (see p. 111), the following be enacted as Section III. of Canon I., Title II., viz.:

SECTION III. A notice, or citation required by any Canon of this Church, when no other mode of service is prescribed, may be served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his last place of abode within the United States; and if he shall have left the United States, by also publishing a copy thereof in some newspaper, printed at the seat of Government of the State or Territory where such party last resided.

By order of the Committee,

WM. ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Deputies.

The Rev. Dr. Stevens, Chairman of the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, reported as follows:

The Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to whom was recommitted their report of the 17th inst., with instructions to omit the resolution asking for action in reference to certain privileges in the Island of Cuba, having had the same under consideration, beg leave respectfully to report back to the House their series of resolutions, amended according to the instructions of this House, leaving out the last one of the resolutions previously offered. (See p. 84.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens, the series of resolutions, as amended, was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks offered the following proposed Amendment to Clause 2, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., p. 37 of the Digest:

Clause 2, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Any Bishop elected and consecrated under the preceding clause of this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated

to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction except over such Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States as may be residing in the state or country for which he has been elected and consecrated, and over such other residents, not natives of the United States, as may voluntarily attach themselves to the Church under the government and direction of such Foreign Missionary Bishop. He shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops while he continues in the exercise of the jurisdiction above named, but shall not be eligible as Bishop in any organized Diocese in the United States.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the above Amendment was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 130.)

Mr. George R. Fairbanks moved to take from the table the resolution offered yesterday, of the consent of the House to the Consecration of the Missionary Bishops-elect, to wit:—

Resolved, That this House do assent to the consecration of the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the South West; and that the Secretary be instructed to transmit the Testimonials of this House, duly certified, to the House of Bishops.

And, on his motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Mead called from the table the resolution concerning the final adjournment of this Convention, which was offered on the 15th inst., and, amending it by substituting "Saturday" for "Friday at 1 o'clock," moved its adoption.

The Rev. Dr. Talbot proposed to amend by inserting "Monday" in the place of "Saturday."

The question being put on this amendment, it was negatived.

Next in order was the Rev. Dr. Mead's resolution, which, on the vote of the House, was adopted in the following words, to wit:—

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring (see p. 123), that this Convention will adjourn *sine die*, on Saturday, the 22d inst.

The Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason presented the following proposed Canon, which, on his motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 128.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted.

In all Congregations of this Church, in which the Holy Communion is statedly celebrated, the Morning and Evening services of this Church shall be, during Canonical hours, performed as prescribed by the Rubrics of this Church; and those shall be esteemed Canonical hours, in which the Morning and Evening Services of the Church are in any Congregation ordinarily performed. At all other times and occasions of public worship, selections from the Liturgical Offices of this Church may be used, under the direction or permission of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese in which such deviations from the regular Services of the Church may be thought desirable or requisite.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gardiner,

Resolved, That five thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed; that three hundred and fifty copies of the Journal be reserved in the keeping of the Secretary; and that two copies be transmitted by him to every Clergyman of this Church having a parochial charge, one copy to every other Clergyman of this Church, two copies to each Lay Member of this Convention, and one copy to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention, and to the Secretary of the Standing Committee of each Diocese, and to each Bishop in communion with this Church; and one copy to the Library of every Church College in the United States; and that the Secretary be authorized, in his discretion, to cause the Journal of this Convention to be stereotyped, and also to allow the Publisher of the Journal to strike off any number of copies over five thousand, at his own expense, for sale.

The Rev. Mr. Guion moved to amend, by directing that "two copies be given to each Clerical Member of the Convention, two copies to each Bishop of the Church, and one copy to each Clergyman of the Church."

The Chair put the question on the amendment, and it was rejected.

The vote was then taken on the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Gardiner, and it was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to revise the Rules of Order of this House, and to report to the next General Convention.

The question being put to the House on this resolution, it was rejected.

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans, *Ordered*, that the Treasurer of the General Convention be instructed to pay the expense of printing the Report of the Typographical Corrector of the Standard Bible, which has been presented to this House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the House now proceed to the election of a Treasurer.

Mr. Herman Cope was nominated.

There being no other nomination, the vote was taken *viva voce*, and Mr. Cope unanimously elected.

Mr. Battle offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the question on the first Order of the Day, be taken at, or before 2 o'clock, and that immediately after the House shall have disposed of the Special Orders of the Day, it will proceed to the consideration of the Reports of Committees which have been made, in the order in which they may have been made, and that no other business shall be considered until these Reports shall be disposed of.

The Rev. Mr. Guion offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Evening Sessions of the House be not prolonged beyond 10 o'clock, P. M., but at this hour the President declare the House adjourned, unless it shall have previously adjourned by resolution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the above resolution was laid on the table.

The Order of the Day, to wit:—The Canon "Of the Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others," recommended by the Committee on Canons, (see p. 69,) together with the Minority Report, proposing a Canon "Of Parish Boundaries," (see p. 71,) then came up.

Pending the consideration of these documents, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 194.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That by the concurrence of both Houses, the following be enacted, as Section III., of Canon I., Title II.

(See Section III. reported by Joint Committee, on p. 108.)

The Rev. Mr. Whittle moved the adoption of the resolution contained in the Minority Report, embracing a Canon of Parish Boundaries.

Mr. E. S. Rand, Jr., proposed to amend as follows:

Of Parish Boundaries.

1. The Boundaries of Parishes shall be defined by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses.

2. Section II. of Canon IX., is hereby repealed.

The Rev. Dr. F. Vinton offered the following as substitute for the whole:

Section VII., Canon XII., Title I. *Of Ministers Officiating in the Cures of others.*

1. No Minister of this Church shall officiate either by Preaching or Reading Prayers within the Parochial Cure of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish, or in his absence, of the Church Wardens.

2. Parochial Boundaries for the purposes of this Section, may be established by the several Dioceses, respectively.

3. The Geographical extent of any Parish, the limits of which have been prescribed by Law or Charter, shall remain unaffected by this Section.

The vote being taken on the substitute offered by Dr. F. Vinton, it was lost.

Mr. Rand's Amendment being next in order, was submitted to a vote of the House, and also rejected.

Next followed the question upon the Resolution and Canon, as reported by the Minority, and its adoption moved by Mr. Whittle.

The Chair put the question on the adoption of the resolution, &c., proposed by the Minority of the Committee, which, on a division, was also lost. AYES, 53. NOES, 74.

The question now recurred on the Report of the Majority of the Committee on Canons. The draft of the Canon proposed by them having been read, (see p. 70,) it was on motion, *Ordered*, That it be considered by clauses.

On the repeated reading of the first Clause, the Rev. Mr. Guion moved that it be amended, by inserting the particle "or," between the words, "by preaching," and "reading prayer," and striking out the following words, "or otherwise."

The Chair put the question on this amendment, and it was lost.

Mr. S. H. Huntington moved to amend, by striking out all before the word "unless, &c." and inserting the words, "No Minister of this Church belonging to one Diocese, shall officiate by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the Parish, or within the Parochial Cure of a Clergyman of another Diocese." This amendment was also lost.

The Rev. Mr. Guion proposed the following—to amend, by inserting after the words, "or otherwise," the words, "excepting in visiting and baptizing the sick, burying the dead, and in performing the marriage ceremony, when one of the parties is not a resident of the Parochial Cure where the ceremony is to be performed."

The sense of the House on this amendment was taken, and it was rejected.

The question was then put by the Chair, "Shall the clause as reported by the Committee be adopted?" and it was decided in the affirmative.

The second clause having been read, the Rev. Dr. Higbee moved to amend, by striking out the last sentence, viz.: "Until a Canon or other regulation shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations within the limits of other Parishes shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese."

A vote of the House was had on the Amendment, and it was lost.

The question was then taken on the second clause as proposed by the Committee, and it was adopted.

The remaining clauses, three, four, five, six, and seven, were respectively proposed to the House and adopted.

Mr. S. B. Ruggles, moved to add, as clause eight, the following:

This Canon shall not affect any legal right of property of any Parish.

The question being taken on its adoption, was decided in the affirmative.

The Rev. Dr. Mead offered the following:

Resolved, That the whole Canon be and is hereby passed by this House.

On motion it was *Ordered*, that the question on the above resolution be taken by Dioceses and Orders, which resulted as follows:

Clergy.—Dioceses represented, 31. AYES, 21. NOES, 9. DIVIDED, 1.

Laity.—Dioceses represented, 26. AYES, 19. NOES, 7.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY.

New Hampshire.—Rev. Henry A. Coit, Rev. James H. Eames, Rev. I. G. Hubbard, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Wm. S. Perry—*Nay.*

Vermont.—Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. Geo. B. Manser, D.D., Rev. David H. Buel—*Aye.*

Massachusetts.—Rev. Geo. M. Randall, D.D., Rev. Geo. Leeds—*Aye.* Rev. S. Brenton Shaw—*Nay.*

Rhode Island.—Rev. Henry Waterman, D.D., Rev. Silas A. Crane, D.D., Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rev. W. H. Mills—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D.D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, D.D., Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Rev. Junius M. Willey—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, D.D., Rev. Amos D. Beach, D.D., Rev. Wm. D. Wilson, D.D.—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Rev. Milo Mahan, D.D., Rev. Alfred Stubbs, D.D., Rev. Clarkson Dunn—*Aye.*

Delaware.—Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. Benj. Franklin, Rev. Samuel R. Slack—*Aye.* Rev. J. E. Grammer—*Nay.*

Maryland.—Rev. Wm. Pinkney, D.D., Rev. H. M. Mason, D.D., Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D.—*Aye.*

North Carolina.—Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., Rev. Robert B. Drane, D.D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. Blount Cheshire—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Rev. Christian Hanckel, D.D., Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rev. Charles C. Pinckney, Rev. Alexander Glennie—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Rev. E. E. Ford, D.D., Rev. William H. Harison, Rev. Wm. N. Hawks—*Aye.* Rev. Wm. C. Williams—*Nay.*

Florida.—Rev. J. J. Scott, D.D., Rev. Osgood E. Herrick, Rev. Alfred A. Miller—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Mitchell, Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. F. R. Hanson—*Aye.*

Mississippi.—Rev. Henry Sansom, D.D.—*Aye.*

Indiana.—Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Rev. Almon Gregory—*Aye.* Rev. James Runcie—*Nay.*

Illinois.—Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D., Rev. Theo. N. Morrison, Rev. Thomas N. Benedict—*Aye.*

Missouri.—Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rev. R. H. Weller—*Aye.*

Michigan.—Rev. Daniel T. Grinnell, Rev. Levi H. Corson—*Aye.*

Wisconsin.—Rev. William Adams, D.D., Rev. George B. Eastman, Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham—*Aye.*

Minnesota.—Rev. E. G. Gear, Rev. A. B. Paterson, D.D., Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, D.D. Rev. Ezra Jones—*Aye.*

LAITY.

Maine.—Mr. Robert H. Gardiner—*Aye.*

Vermont.—Mr. Thomas H. Canfield, Mr. Jas. H. Williams—*Aye.*

Rhode Island.—Mr. Edward Walcott—*Aye.*

Connecticut.—Mr. John Ferguson, Mr. William T. Lee—*Aye.* Mr. Samuel H. Huntington—*Nay.*

New York.—Mr. Samuel B. Ruggles—*Aye.*

Western New York.—Mr. Joseph Juliand—*Aye.*

New Jersey.—Mr. Daniel B. Ryall—*Aye.*

Pennsylvania.—Mr. Herman Cope, Mr. John N. Conyngham, Mr. William Welsh, Mr. Felix R. Brunot—*Aye.*

Maryland.—Mr. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Mr. Hugh Davy Evans—*Aye.*

Virginia.—Mr. Philip Williams, Mr. Tazewell Taylor, Mr. John Stewart—*Aye.* Mr. D. H. Conrad—*Nay.*

North Carolina.—Mr. Wm. H. Battle—*Aye.*

South Carolina.—Mr. I. J. Pringle Smith—*Aye.*

Georgia.—Mr. James Potter—*Aye.*

Florida.—Mr. George R. Fairbanks, Mr. James Filor—*Aye.*

Alabama.—Mr. Henry A. Tayloe, Mr. Robert T. Bunker, Mr. M. J. Conley—*Aye.*

Illinois.—Mr. James G. Wilson—*Aye.*
Wisconsin.—Mr. J. B. Doe—*Aye.*
Minnesota.—Mr. Harwood Iglehart—*Aye.*
California.—Mr. Edward Stanley—*Aye.*

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERGY.

Maine.—Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rev. George W. Durell, Rev. Frederick Gardiner, Rev. Asa Dalton—*Nay.*
Pennsylvania.—Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.—*Aye.*
Virginia.—Rev. Chas. W. Andrews, D.D., Rev. Chas. Minnigerode, D.D.—*Nay.* Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D.D.—*Aye.*
Louisiana.—Rev. E. Guion—*Nay.*
Tennessee.—Rev. Thomas J. Pickett—*Nay.*
Kentucky.—Rev. James Craik, D.D., Rev. Robert McMurdy, Rev. F. M. Whittle—*Nay.* Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D.—*Aye.*
Ohio.—Rev. Erastus Burr, D.D., Rev. Robert B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, D.D.—*Nay.*
Kansas.—Rev. N. O. Preston, Rev. Charles Reynolds—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Rev. Edward W. Peet, D.D., Rev. Benjamin R. Gifford—*Nay.*

LAITY.

New Hampshire.—Mr. Simeon Ide—*Nay.*
Massachusetts.—Mr. Edward A. Newton, Mr. Edward S. Rand, Jr.—*Nay.*
Delaware.—Mr. S. F. Du Pont, U. S. N., Mr. S. M. Curtis, Mr. William Cummins, M.D.—*Nay.* Mr. William T. Read—*Aye.*
Tennessee.—Mr. Francis B. Fogg, Mr. J. F. Jett, Mr. Samuel Oldham, M.D., Mr. Wm. Armor—*Nay.*
Kentucky.—Mr. A. H. Churchill—*Nay.*
Ohio.—Mr. C. B. Goddard—*Nay.*
Iowa.—Mr. B. B. Richards—*Nay.*

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERGY.

New York.—Rev. Wm. Creighton, D.D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D.D.—*Aye.* Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D.—*Nay.*

The period of the Morning Session having expired, the House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed business at 7 o'clock.

Mr. S. H. Huntington, on behalf of the Trustees of the

Missionary Bishops' Fund, presented the following Report: (See p. 81.)

To the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, now in Session in the City of Richmond:

The undersigned, members present of the Board of Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, present the following Report:

That they have received no "contributions of money or real estate" from individuals, or from either of the Missionary Committees of the Board of Missions. They have, therefore, no account of their receipts and payments during the past three years to present, and therefore the Trustees have thought it unnecessary to procure an Act of Incorporation, and have not done so.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL H. HUNTINGTON,
HERMAN COPE.

Richmond, Va., October 19th, 1859.

The Rev. Dr. Van Ingen offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund be, and they are hereby requested to effect the incorporation of their Board without delay, and to give public notice to the Church of their readiness to act in the matters entrusted to them.

The resolution was adopted.

The Order of the Day, to wit, the consideration of the resolutions reported on the Ninth Day by the Committee on the State of the Church, (see p. 72,) was now called up.

The first and the second of the resolutions were consecutively adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Talbot suggested that the third resolution be amended by inserting the words, "the spirit of," after the words, "in compliance with." Which was accepted by the Committee.

The resolution as amended, was then adopted.

The fourth resolution was also passed.

The Rev. Mr. Pinckney offered the following resolution, which on his motion was laid on the table until to-morrow morning, to wit:

Resolved, That a Committee, composed of Clergy and Laity, be appointed to embody the resolutions on the State of the Church, and publish them in an Address to the Churches.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Burgess, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to inquire into the expediency of enacting a Canon for the election and consecration of Missionary Bishops, during the recess of the General Conven-

tion, and to report to this Convention by Canon, or otherwise. (See p. 130.)

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 21st, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Minnesota, assisted by the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, a Deputy from the Diocese of Missouri.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan for the Committee on Elections, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Elections report, that leave of absence has been asked by the Rev. Charles Reynolds, of Kansas; Mr. S. F. Dupont, U. S. N.; Mr. J. M. Curtis, and Mr. William Cummins, M.D., of Delaware; Mr. James G. Wilson, of Illinois, and the Rev. I. G. Hubbard, D.D., of New Hampshire, and recommend that it be granted.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to the Deputies above named.

On motion of Mr. H. A. Tayloe,

Resolved, That henceforth to the end of the Session, leave of absence be granted only in those cases in which the Order of the applicant will not be left unrepresented, in the Convention, by some member from the same Diocese.

A Message was received from the House of Bishops as follows: (See p. 198.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concurs in the following Report of the Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred additional Section to Canon XIII., Title I.; and they also recommend that Clause 7 of the Digest, be marked Clause 8.

(See Clause 7, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., as reported by the Joint Committee on Canons, p. 119.)

Also the following: (See p. 198.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has adopted the following resolution, reported by the Joint Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, (see p. 137,) that the following be adopted as Section XVII., of Canon

XIII., of Title I., Of a Bishop resigning his Jurisdiction, and becoming a Parish Minister. (See Section XVII., of Canon XIII. reported *infra*.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Joint Committee, made the following Report.

The Joint Committee on Canons, respectfully report the following for adoption by the General Convention, and offer the following resolution to that effect:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following be adopted as Section XVII., of Canon XIII., Title I., "Of a Bishop resigning his Jurisdiction and becoming a Parish Minister."

1. No Bishop who shall have resigned, or who may hereafter resign his Jurisdiction, as a Bishop of this Church, shall officiate as the Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Church, Parish, or Congregation in this Church, until he shall have obtained the written consent of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, in which such Church, Parish, or Congregation shall be situate.

2. Any Bishop who ceases to have Jurisdiction, and becomes a Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Church, Parish or Congregation, shall, while in such cure, not perform any Episcopal Act in the Diocese in which his cure is situate. He shall also, while he holds such cure, be subject in all matters concerning said cure, and his relations thereto, to the Ecclesiastical authority, and to the Canons of the Diocese in which his cure is situate. (See p. 137.)

By order of the Committee,

JAMES H. OTEY,
Chairman of the Committee of House of Bishops.
WILLIAM COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Also the following:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Canon, on the use of the Book of Common Prayer, (see p. 78,) respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the proposed substitutes for Canon XX., Title I., be printed in the Journal, and referred to the next General Convention.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of Clerical and Lay Deputies.
October 20th, 1859.

The resolution thus recommended was, on motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Claxton, for the Committee on the State of the Church, presented their final Report, with accompanying Documents, and Tabular Views, (see Appendix, A. B.,) concluding with a proposal of the passage of the customary resolution.

lved, That the view of the Church herewith presented be trans-
to the House of Bishops, soliciting their prayers and blessings,
questing that they will draw up and cause to be published a
al Letter, to the Members of the Church.

resolution was adopted. (See p. 144.)

Rev. Dr. Mead, from the Joint Committee on Canons,
ted the following report:

Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed
nal Section to Canon XIII., Title I., of the Digest, (see p. 77,)
ve to report the following, to be numbered in the Digest as
7, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.; and they also recom-
hat Clause 7. of the Digest be marked Clause 8. (See p. 126.)
se 7., Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I. Every such Bishop
arly appoint not less than two, nor more than five Presbyters,
t within his Missionary Jurisdiction, and acting under the ap-
ent of the Board of Missions, to act as a Standing Committee
Missionary Jurisdiction, (upon all questions pertaining to the
t of such Missionary Jurisdiction,) and in case of the absence
Bishop from his Jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate,
anding Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical authority of such
ary Jurisdiction.
rder of the Committee,

JAMES H. OTEY,
Chairman of the Com. of House of Bishops.
WILLIAM COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Rev. Dr. Clarkson, for the Committee on Expenses,
the following Report:

Committee on Expenses, to whom was referred the motion of
r. Vinton, of New York, that the copies of the Richmond In-
containing the proceedings of this Convention, which are fur-
for the use of the Members of this House, be paid for by the
rer of the General Convention, (see p. 99,) beg leave to report,
e Rector of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, in behalf of himself,
e other Rectors of this City, asks the privilege of paying for these
, as they are offered to the use of this House as part of the hos-
es of the Churchmen of Richmond.
Committee therefore beg leave to offer the following resolu-

lved, That the thanks of the Members of this House be conveyed
several Rectors of the Episcopal Churches in Richmond, for
eral provision made for supplying them with the published pro-
gs of this House.

R. H. CLARKSON,
J. GARDINER,
C. BRECK,
H. COPE.

e resolution was adopted unanimously.

Mr. H. D. Evans, presented a proposed Canon "Of Bishoprics in case of the Division of Dioceses," and on his motion, it was laid over to the next General Convention, and ordered to be printed in the Journal. (See p. 376.)

The Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons report an Amendment to Canon II., of 1847, by inserting the words, "or in part," between the words "altogether" and "remit," in the second line.

The resolution was adopted. (See p. 128.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, the Order of the Day was now taken up for consideration, to wit, the Report of the Joint Committee on Intercourse with the Church in Sweden as follows: (See p. 77.)

Report of the Committee on Intercourse with the Church of Sweden.

The Joint Committee, appointed at the last General Convention, on the expediency of opening an intercourse with the Church of Sweden, respectfully report:

That much attention, chiefly by written communications, has been given by them to this grave and important subject. In an age so remarkable as the present for the intercommunion of nations, it is desirable, that however separated by local distance, those Churches which are equally members of the one body of Christ, and are justly entitled to full fellowship with each other, should manifest that concord, as far as circumstances will admit, in conformity with the prayer of their divine Master for his disciples, "that they all may be one."

Of the Swedish Church, your Committee have no reason to doubt, that she retains the faith once delivered to the saints, and perpetuated through all time, by adhesion to the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, to which she adds, as formally recognized, the Creed called Athanasian; while as evidence of her protest against the errors which had accumulated during the middle ages of Christianity, she also accepts the creed known as the Augsburg Confession. At the period of the Reformation, the Swedish Church, thus Catholic and Protestant in faith, appears to have also preserved the order of Bishops as then recognized throughout the Christian world, and as perpetuated from the times of the Apostles; nor have your Committee cause to believe, that this line of succession has ceased to be in that Church continued.

But, in Sweden, there is a union of Church and State, similar to that which exists in our sister Church of England; and, in any movement in ecclesiastical affairs, great respect is shown by the heads of the Church to the authority of the Crown. It was known to your Committee as a matter of historic notoriety, that in former times, the Crown of Sweden and Archbishops of Upsala, had taken much interest in the spiritual welfare of the Swedes emigrating to the new world, and had sent Clergymen of Swedish ordination, one of whom, at least, had filled the pastoral relation to a congregation of the then Church of England. It was also made known to your Committee, that the early records of these times, in relation to such Swedes, were becoming, or had become,

translated from the Swedish, as the basis of what might be profitably used by any future historian of such times. Your Committee therefore conceived, that from what had been thus done in this country, a favorable opportunity presented itself, without compromising at present the position of our own Church, to further the object for which their appointment was made. They therefore addressed to the King of Sweden a communication as follows:

To His Majesty, Oscar, King of Sweden and Norway.

May it please your Majesty, we, citizens and subjects of the United States of North America, approach your royal person, with all the respect due to the Prince of a great nation illustrious for so many ages among the powers of Europe.

It may not be unknown to your Majesty, that there is a Church in these lands, which is commonly called the Protestant Episcopal, which is one with the Church of England in doctrine, worship, and discipline, and which before the Revolution that effected the political independence of our country, derived its origin and establishment from the care of the Church of the parent land.

While in Church and State we were dependent on Great Britain, many Swedes emigrated to our shores. They settled chiefly on the coasts of the river Delaware. They built houses of worship, preserving the doctrines and worship, and for some time the language of their forefathers; and much interest was manifested in their welfare, by the Kings of Sweden and Archbishops of Upsala. Clergymen were sent from their native land to officiate among them, and these spiritual guides kept up a frequent intercourse with their parent country and Church. They were worthy disciples and ambassadors of their divine Master; and such was their reputation, combined with the close affinity in faith and discipline of the Church of England, that they were sometimes, when they had acquired the tongue of their adopted land, called to exercise the pastoral jurisdiction over English Congregations.

In process of time, however, the descendants of these Swedes, after the event known as the American Revolution, becoming citizens of the United States, and aware that they made no essential change of faith, were absorbed into the Church of England; or, as it was then called in this country, the Protestant Episcopal Church. In some cases they retained peculiar rules for the management of their parochial concerns, while the holy offices of Religion were administered to them by the descendants of Swedes deriving their sacerdotal powers by ordination through the English channel. Some of these Churches still regardful of the land of their ancestors, have been searching into the records, which acquaint them with the history of those venerable men, who, from that land, first preached the Gospel in this new world, in the Swedish tongue to Swedes, and administered to them the bread of life. Those records, as far as accessible in this country, have lately been translated into English, as a basis for the future history of the early Swedish Church in America; and deep interest is felt, to acquire such information relative to the early Swedish Missionaries and their communications to Fatherland, as may be found only in the archives of Sweden.

Under these circumstances, we, who are also a Committee of the Church called Protestant Episcopal, and who have been appointed

under certain resolutions friendly to the Church of Sweden—the Episcopal Members by the House of Bishops, and the Clerical and Lay Members by the House of Deputies, assembled in our General Convention—have undertaken, in connection with our appointment, to make this address and application to your Majesty.

We desire, that it may comport with your royal interest and care for the Church, over which the providence of God has placed you as "Defender and Nursing Father," to cause to be translated into the English tongue, such documents as may exist in your royal archives, relative to the Swedish Clergy, who preached the everlasting Gospel to their countrymen emigrating to these shores. Such documents, which it is presumed exist in the letters and communications of those Swedish Clergy, long since gone to their rest in the Lord, would, together with the documents possessed in this country, constitute a precious memorial of an era dear to the hearts of many who in these regions still regard with esteem and reverence their ancestral land and Church of Sweden.

Your royal assent to our application, would no doubt also tend to the furtherance of kindly relations between two Churches, which, though separated by the broad waves of the Atlantic, are of kindred faith, alike meritorious of the names Catholic and Protestant, by retention of the faith once delivered to the saints, and perpetuated through all time, and by rejection of the errors which arose amid the corruptions and confusions of the middle ages of Christianity.

May that Triune God, who is the King of kings, and Lord of lords, preserve you happy in your public relations, and the stay of religion, till he crown you with the glory of His eternal kingdom.

T. C. Brownell, Bishop of Connecticut, D.D., LL.D., and Presiding Bishop.
John Henry Hopkins, Bishop of Vermont, D.D., LL.D.
Stephen Elliott, Bishop of Georgia, D.D.
Alonzo Potter, Bishop of Pennsylvania, D.D., LL.D.
George Burgess, Bishop of Maine, D.D.
Jackson Kemper, Bishop of Wisconsin and Minnesota, (and having Swedes and Norwegians under my jurisdiction,) D.D.
Henry M. Mason, Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Maryland, D.D.
Francis L. Hawks, Rector of Calvary Church, New York, D.D., LL.D.
Paul Trapier, Professor Ecclesiastical History, Charleston, South Carolina.
Josiah Collins,
Hugh Davy Evans, LL.D.

A true Copy: Attest:
Henry M. Mason, *Secretary.*

Of the decease of the Prince to whom this document was addressed, information has lately appeared in the public prints; and as yet no answer to our communication has been returned. For that answer your Committee deem it proper to wait, before further steps be taken in a movement which seems to them to demand a prudent caution attempering Christian zeal. In the mean time, they present for the action of this Convention the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops consenting, a Joint Committee

consisting of five on the part of this House, be again appointed, to take into consideration the expediency of opening an intercourse with the Church of Sweden, and to report to the next General Convention.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Com. of House of Bishops.
CHARLES P. MCILVAIN,
STEPHEN ELLIOTT,
ALONZO POTTER.
GEORGE BURGESS,

HENRY M. MASON,
Chairman of Com. of House of Deputies.
FRANCIS L. HAWKS,
HUGH DAVY EVANS.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution at the close of the Report, the Rev. Dr. Coxe moved to amend, by inserting after the word "Resolved," the following: "That, while this House does not intend to commit itself to the expression of any opinion upon the subject of the Orthodoxy of the Church of Sweden, or upon the succession in its Episcopate," &c.

The Amendment was accepted by the Chairman of the Committee who presented the Report, and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Coxe the House adopted the resolution. (See p. 135.)

Mr. H. D. Evans asked, and obtained leave to withdraw his name from the report.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the same Committee appointed at the last Convention (see Journal of 1856, p. 35) be, on the part of this House, reappointed. (See p. 1.)

A Message from the House of Bishops was received as follows: (See p. 203.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in adjourning *sine die* on Saturday, the 22d inst. (See p. 109.)

Mr. S. B. Ruggles presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the present state of the Church, and of the world around it, emphatically appeals not only to the Clergy but to the Laity, earnestly and actively to employ their time and means, to the best of their ability, in supporting and invigorating the Christian efforts of the Church in all its departments.

Mr. Conrad proposed to append the following, which was adopted by Mr. Ruggles:

Therefore, *Resolved*, That a Committee, consisting of one Layman from each Diocese, (see p. 136,) of whom five shall be a quorum, be appointed, who shall, during the recess of this General Convention, devise and carry out such means and measures as they may deem advisable, calculated to reach the hearts of the Laity of this Church, and to impress upon them specially the imperative wants of the Church; of *Ministers*, who must be supplied from their body; of *money*, which is more needed than ever, to meet the increased expenditures of the Church; of earnest and holy *zeal* in the cause of Christ, which is needed most of all, and which, if aroused to its proper tone, will insure the supply of the other two needs referred to.

The resolutions were successively put to the House for their action, and both adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Talbot,

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Muhlenburg be added to the Committee on the Psalmody and Hymnody of the Church. (See p. 100.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 203.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (see p. 113) in enacting the following Canon as a substitute for Canon IX. of 1853.

Substitute for Title I., Canon XII., Section VII. of the Digest. (See p. 70.)

Also the following: (See p. 205.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has unanimously passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in adopting the resolutions conveyed to this House in Message No. 27, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (viz.: Resolutions of the Committee on the State of the Church, see p. 72), having added to the same the following:

Resolved, That the Clergy be requested to read the foregoing resolutions to their Congregations, at the time of presenting the subject-matter thereof to their notice.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Talbot,

Resolved, That this House concur in the additional resolution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the Canon reported by the Joint Committee, "Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations" (see p. 88), was taken from the table.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Howe,

Resolved, That the consideration of the resolution and Canon reported by the Committee, be indefinitely postponed. (See p. 127.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens,

Resolved, That, on the part of this House Canon XXXIV. of 1832 be, and is hereby repealed. (See p. 128.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. R. H. Wilmer,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to consider and report an amendment to Section VIII. of Canon III., of 1856, by inserting the words "or candidate for Orders," after the word "licentiate"; also, that they report on the expediency of a similar amendment to Section III., Canon IV. of 1856; and report such other changes as will render the Canon conformable to such amendments, providing, however, that the probation of such candidates shall in no case be less than twelve months. (See p. 128.)

The Report of the Joint Committee on Canons, of a Canon entitled "Of Parishes or Congregations in Foreign Countries" (see p. 87), was called up for consideration. Pending the discussion thereon, the morning period for the transaction of business expired, when, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That the House will resume business at 6 o'clock this evening.

The House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed business at 6 o'clock.

The Order of the Day, to wit, the proposed Canon "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," was before the House.

After debate, and proposals to amend, postpone to next General Convention, and indefinitely, all of which were subsequently withdrawn, the Canon was adopted. (See p. 129.)

A Message from the House of Bishops was received, to the effect, that the Rev. Dr. Clark having positively and definitively declined the appointment of Missionary Bishop to the North West, the House of Bishops will proceed at 9 o'clock to nominate some Presbyter to that office; and that they express the earnest hope that the Members of this House will feel in duty bound to remain over the morrow, in order to act upon such nomination.

Mr. Battle offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the question on any subject which may be brought

up for consideration, during the residue of the Session, shall be taken not later than thirty minutes after it is brought before the House.

Resolved, That the speech of any member who may address the House, shall be restricted to five minutes.

The resolutions were, on motion, laid upon the table, a division of the House having been had. AYES, 52; NAYS, 50.

The Report of the Joint Committee on Canons, on Canon VII., Title II. of the Digest, "Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon;" and Canon IX., Title II. of the Digest, entitled, "Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop," coming up for consideration, (see p. 106,)

On motion of Mr. Evans, the Canons, as reported, were adopted. (See p. 143.)

The next Report of the Joint Committee on Canons to be considered, in order, was that respecting the Consecration of Bishops during the recess of the General Convention. Title I., Canon XIII., Section III., Clause 2. (See pp. 44, 139.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the Canon was adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 207.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That clause 3, Section VII., and clause 2, Section VIII., of Canon XIII., Title I., (see p. 130,) reported by the Joint Committee on Canons, be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the Report of the Joint Committee on Canons, recommending that Canon I. of Title II., be amended by the addition of Section III., was taken up, and the House concurred in enacting the same.

The Canon, numbered Clause 8, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., and entitled "Of the Trial of Ministers within the Jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop," as reported by the Joint Committee (see p. 107,) was called up for consideration, read, and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, adopted.

The Canon reported as Clause 7, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., "Of the Appointment of Standing Committees in Foreign Missions," (see p. 119,) was taken from the table, and, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, adopted. (See p. 117.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 211.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., be, and is hereby nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as Missionary Bishop to the North West.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clarkson,

Resolved, That this House will proceed to act on the nomination of Missionary Bishop to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY'S SESSION

RICHMOND, VA., October 22d, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., a Deputy from the Diocese of Massachusetts, assisted by the Rev. A. A. Watson, a Deputy from the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, to wit: (See p. 209.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the indefinite postponement of Canon V., Title II.: "Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations." And also in the repeal of Canon XXXIV. of 1832. (See pp. 124–5.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clarkson,

Resolved, That the order of business be suspended, in order to take action on the nomination of a Missionary Bishop of the North West.

Mr. Chambers moved that the House proceed to ballot on the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, and the resolution was adopted.

The President announced, as tellers of the Clerical vote, the Rev. Dr. Shelton and Mr. S. H. Huntington; and of the Lay vote, the Rev. Dr. Clarkson and Mr. Edward Stanley.

After suitable devotions, the balloting proceeded.

The Rev. Dr. Shelton announced that there were 29 Dioceses represented by the Clergy; all voted AYE.

The Rev. Dr. Clarkson reported the vote of the Laity as follows: 22 Dioceses were represented. All voted AYE.

The President declared that the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., had been unanimously elected Missionary Bishop of the North West.

The *Gloria in excelsis* was then sung.

On motion of Mr. E. F. Chambers,

Resolved, That the House proceed to sign the Testimonials.

When the signing of the Testimonials was finished, the Secretary announced that they had been signed by a constitutional majority of both Orders.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Willey,

Resolved, That the Testimonials of the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Missionary Bishop-elect of the North West, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, with the consent of this House to his Consecration.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:

The Joint Committee on Canons report, on the proposed Amendment of Section VIII., Canon III. of 1856 (see p. 125), that the same is already provided for in the existing Canons, and therefore that no further legislation is necessary.

They further report, on the proposed Canon concerning the use of the Prayer Book (see p. 109), that it is inexpedient at present to legislate on the subject.

They further report, that, in relation to the matter referred to them, concerning Canons V. and VI. of 1856 (see p. 31), the subject-matter has been provided for in Section II. of Canon IV., Title I. of the Digest.

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

The Joint Committee on Canons report, on the proposed Amendment of Canon II. of 1847, (see p. 120,) the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring (see p. 143), that Canon XII., Title II. of the Digest, be amended by inserting in line 3d, after the word "sentence," the words, "or any part thereof."

By order of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, the resolution was adopted.

The Joint Committee on Canons respectfully propose to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Hawks, and the Hon. Murray Hoffman be appointed, on the part of this House, a Committee to publish an edition of the Digest, with the Canons and Amendments of Canons which have been or may be passed at this General Convention.

Resolved, That two thousand five hundred copies of the Digest thus prepared, together with the Constitution, be printed under the direction of the Committee, and that one copy be sent to each member of this Convention, one to each Clergyman of the Church in the United States, one to each Secretary of Diocesan Conventions, and one to each Standing Committee, and that the remainder be reserved for the use of the next General Convention.

By order of the Committee,
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Mead, the resolutions were adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops (see p. 213), to wit:

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do not concur in the passage of a Canon entitled "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," because the proposed Canon requires, for the establishment of a Congregation of this Church in a Foreign Country, that it be authorized by, or not inconsistent with the laws of the Government of such country; and because there is not time to consider other amendments proposed by several members of the House of Bishops, and the subject must therefore be postponed until the next General Convention. (See p. 139.)

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred, by the House of Bishops, a proposed Amendment of Canon XII., Title I., (see p. 199,) respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution on the subject:

Resolved, That the 4th clause of Section VIII., of Canon XII., of Title I. of the Digest, be amended, so as to read as follows:

4. It shall be the duty of all Ministers, except Professors in the General Theological Seminary, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains in the Army and Navy, to obtain and present letters of transfer, as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, to another Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain therein for the space of six months.

By order of the Committee.
W. R. WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman of Committee of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman Com. House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.
October 24th, 1859.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the Amendment, as reported, was adopted on the part of this House. (See p. 142.)

The Joint Committee on Canons, by the Rev. Dr. Mead, made the following Report:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Amendment of Clause 2, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I. (see p. 109), recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following Amendment be adopted, to be numbered Clause 2, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.:—

Any Bishop elected and consecrated under the preceding clause of this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction except over such Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States as may be residing in the place or country for which he has been elected and consecrated; and over such other residents, not natives of the United States, as may voluntarily attach themselves to the Church, under the government and direction of such Foreign Missionary Bishop. He shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, while he continues in the exercise of the jurisdiction above-named; but shall not be eligible as Bishop in any organized Diocese of the United States.

By order of the Committee,
W. R. WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman Com. House of Bishops
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman Com. House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.
Richmond, Oct. 22d, 1859.

On motion of Mr. W. H. Battle, the whole subject-matter was laid on the table.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, for the Joint Committee on Canons, presented also the following Report:

The Joint Committee on Canons respectfully reports:

That it has taken the subject of the provision of a mode of electing a Bishop for a Missionary Jurisdiction, vacant during recess of General Convention, into consideration, (see p. 116,) and deems it expedient to make such provision by the amendment of Clause 3 of Section VII., and the addition of a new clause in Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I. of the Digest, and that it accordingly recommends the adoption of the resolutions appended to this Report.

By order of the Committee,
WM. ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman Com. House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman Com. House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.
Richmond, Oct. 22d, 1859.

Resolved, That Clause 3, of Section VII., of Canon XIII. of Title I., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Clause 3, Section VII., Canon XIII., Title I.—1. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by any other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Episcopate shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge, until an election of another Missionary Bishop for the same.

2. In case of a vacancy in a Missionary Episcopate by death, resignation, or refusal to accept, *more than twelve months before the meeting of a General Convention*, it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop of this Church to notify the same to the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

3. The Secretary of the Board of Missions, so notified, shall address a notice to each Member of the said Board, that, at the next Annual Meeting, if such Meeting be not to take place within three months; *but if the next Annual Meeting be within three months, then at the next Annual Meeting thereafter*, an election of a suitable person to fill the vacant Episcopate will take place; provided, that, *if the next Annual Meeting not within three months, should fall within six months before a meeting of the General Convention, then no such notice shall be issued.*

4. At such Annual Meeting, not less than seventy members of the Board being present, it shall be competent for the Board, by the votes of two-thirds of the members present, to elect a Bishop for the vacant Missionary Episcopate.

5. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by all the members voting for the Bishop-elect, in the form required by the Second Section of this Canon to be given by the members of a Diocesan Convention on the election of a Bishop.

6. The Board of Missions shall, by its Secretary, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election of a Missionary Bishop to the Standing Committees of the Churches, as provided in the case of Consecration during Recess, in Section third of this Canon; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed Consecration, the Secretary of the Board of Missions, or the person or persons appointed thereto by the Board, shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Senior Bishop, who shall thereupon proceed as directed in the case of Consecration during Recess, in Section third of this Canon; and the provisions of the second Clause of said Section shall apply to Consecrations under this Section also.

Resolved, That the following be adopted as Clause 2 of Section VIII. of Canon XIII. of Title I. in the Digest, viz.:

Clause 2, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.—In case of a vacancy in a Missionary Episcopate of a Missionary Station or Stations of this Church out of the territory of the United States, by death, resignation, or refusal to accept, more than twelve months before the meeting of a General Convention, such vacancy may be filled in the mode prescribed, and under the provisions and restrictions assigned in Clause 3 of Section VII. of this Canon.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. F. Vinton,

Resolved, That the resolutions and Canon be laid upon the table. (See p. 126.)

The Committee to whom it was referred to consider and report on the expediency and practicability of reprinting the old Journals, from A. D. 1785, to A. D. 1853, made the following Report:

The Committee appointed by the House to consider the expediency and to inquire into the probable cost of reprinting the Journals of the General Convention, from A. D. 1785, to A. D. 1853, inclusive, with an Index to the same, respectfully report:—

The first thirty years of our legislation as an independent Church had not passed, when, owing—to quote the language of Bishop White—to "the increasing difficulty of possessing sets" of these documentary annals of our Church history, the reprinting of the Journals of the General Convention from A. D. 1785 to A. D. 1814, inclusive, was imperatively required.

A few years later, and so rapidly had these documents disappeared, but one entire collection of the originals from which this reprint was made could be found, even by the venerable Presiding Bishop of the Church. At the present time, not only are the earlier editions wholly out of print, but the volume published by Bioren in Philadelphia, in accordance with the resolution of the Convention of 1814, and also many Journals of subsequent years, are rarely met with, even by the most indefatigable collector. So rare are these important documents, that it is believed by your Committee, after no little inquiry, that there are less than ten entire sets of the Journals of the General Convention in the possession of Dioceses or individuals in the land.

Efforts for the republication of these Journals, subsequent to the appearance of Bioren's edition in 1817, date back as far as the Convention of 1835. At this time, and apparently in consequence of the inability of the Secretary to procure, as directed, "ten sets of the Journals of the General Convention, from the organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States," (see p. 25, Journal of 1835), for preservation among the Archives of the Convention, the following resolution was passed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a Joint Committee be appointed to procure, by some publishing house, the printing at its expense and for its profit, of all the Journals of the General Convention since 1785, together with all the Pastoral Letters which have been set forth by the House of Bishops. (See p. 77, Journal of 1835.)

In this resolution the House of Bishops concurred, and appointed on their behalf the Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D.D., Bishop of New York; but owing doubtless to the pressure of business attending the close of an important and exciting Session, the names of the members of the Committee from the lower House were not designated by the Convention, and consequently no action ensued.

At the following Session in 1838, the same resolution was passed by both Houses, with this additional clause:

—"and that the said Committee be, and hereby are, authorized to append to such edition of the Journals a suitable Index." (See p. 48, Journal of 1838.)

This Committee, consisting of Bishop B. T. Onderdonk, and the Rev. Drs. Anthon and Hawks, submitted to the Convention of 1841 the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed by the last Convention to procure the printing of all the Journals of the General Convention, respectfully report:

That they have not accomplished the object of their appointment, but ıve reason to believe that there may be action on the subject by this ɔnvention, which will greatly facilitate the measure. The Committee erefore respectfully submit for adoption by the Convention, the folwing resolutions:

Resolved, That a Joint Committee, consisting of one Bishop, chosen the House of Bishops, and —— Members of the House of Clerical d Lay Deputies, chosen by the said House, be appointed to procure e publication by some publishing house on its own account, of a comete edition of all the Journals of the General Convention, together th the Canons and other documents which have been published with ese Journals, and a complete set of the Canons, including the Constiion of this Church, as the same shall be at the adjournment of this ɔnvention, with a copious Index or Indexes to the whole.

Resolved, That the same Committee be authorized and appointed to perintend the printing of the Journals, &c., and to form the Index or ıdexes, and to adopt efficient means for securing the entire accuracy the edition.

Resolved, That the edition of the Journals, &c., thus published, be ırtified by the Committee as an edition published under the authority the General Convention.

Resolved, That as soon as arrangements conformably to the above solutions are made with a printer, the Committee do cause proposals r the edition to be extensively circulated; and, that they be authorized ıd requested to adopt in the name of this Convention, suitable meaıres to secure for the undertaking the general patronage of the hurch. (Journal of 1841, pp. 110, 111.)

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK, HENRY ANTHON, } *Committee.*

These resolutions, covering the whole ground of action proposed by our present Committee, were on motion of Bishop Kemper, seconded y Bishop Meade, adopted by the House of Bishops, and concurred in y the lower House; and the whole matter committed to the Bishop of ew York, with the Rev. Drs. Anthon and Mead, and T. L. Ogden, sq. (Journal of 1841, page 113.)

At the session of the Convention in 1844, Bishop B. T. Onderdonk, behalf of the Committee, reported that the Committee had not been ble to accomplish the object of their appointment, and asked to be ischarged. In this request both Houses concurred. (Journal of 344, page 28.)

In 1853, the House of Bishops proposed to the House of Clerical and ay Deputies, "that the Secretaries of the two Houses be requested prepare an Index to the whole series of Journals of the General Conention from the beginning," adding the suggestion, that this "Index, hen approved by the Presiding Bishop," should "be printed in the ame form as the Journal." (Journal of 1853, pp. 115, 116.)

The House concurred in this resolution, with the provision that the unds in the Treasury of the Convention be sufficient to meet the cost. Journal of 1853, page 143.)

At the last meeting of the Convention, the subject was again agiated, and the Secretary was "appointed a Committee to confer with ublishers about issuing a stereotype edition of all the Journals of this

Convention, at the expense and for the profit of said publishers." (Journal of 1856, page 129.)

This has been found impracticable.

In view, then, of this almost continuous legislation of the Convention on this subject, expressive of the deep sense of need felt throughout the Church, in the matter, your Committee are convinced that the work is one that should be done, and done at once. Each unsuccessful attempt—each three-years' delay—but adds to the difficulty of ever securing the result desired. The Committee have, therefore, in the limited time at their disposal, made such inquiries as were in their power, as to the probable cost of this republication, and have also discussed the best manner of effecting the same; and while they are convinced both from the magnitude of the work, and the want of success of previous Committees, that this reprint would not be undertaken by any responsible publisher solely at his own risk, they feel certain that the end desired may be attained by means of subscriptions from the many individuals, libraries and legislative bodies of our Church, to whom such documents would be peculiarly valuable and interesting.

The whole work, in its integrity, might be compressed into four or five volumes of six hundred and fifty pages each; and should an edition of a thousand sets be called for, could be furnished to subscribers in a clear and distinct type, printed on good paper, and in size and general appearance uniform with the present Journals, at a cost of about one dollar and fifty cents per volume. If a larger number should be subscribed for, the price would be materially lessened.

The Committee would also propose the addition to each volume of an appendix of brief historical notes, prepared under the direction, and subject to the revision of the Historiographer of the Church, and designed to elucidate points of interest obscurely set forth on the printed page of the Journal. They also recommend the preparation of a full analytical index to be comprised in an additional volume, the beginning of which has already been made by one* of their number, and the plan of which they unanimously approve. Without this, even the republication of the Journals would be of comparatively little value. With its assistance, the whole legislation of the Church would be made easily accessible to any investigator.

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Whereas, It is the duty of the Church to make generally accessible the annals of its legislation, both for the guidance of its law-makers, and for the information of students of its history:—

And, *Whereas*, The documentary history of the General Convention is now wholly out of print, and rarely to be met with,

Resolved, That a Committee of six be appointed from this House to secure, either by subscription or otherwise, the republication of the Journals of the General Convention from A. D. 1785, to A. D. 1853, inclusive, provided that no pecuniary obligation be assumed by this Convention.

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Respectfully submitted.

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The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 215.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

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On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the House concurred in the amendment.

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to set forth the Prayer Books thus prepared as allowed to be used in any Congregation where such translation may be needed.

The President here announced the following as the Committee of Laymen, contemplated in the resolution offered by Mr. S. B. Ruggles yesterday. (See p. 124.)

Mr. S. B. Ruggles, *New York*, Mr. Alex. Duncan, *Rhode Island*, Mr. Samuel H. Huntington, *Connecticut*, Mr. Washington Hunt, *Western New York*, Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, *New Jersey*, Mr. Robert H. Gardiner, *Maine*, Mr. Simeon Ide, *New Hampshire*, Mr. Edward A. Newton, *Massachusetts*, Mr. Isaac H. Redfield, *Vermont*, Mr. Wm. Welsh, *Pennsylvania*, Mr. S. F. Du Pont, U. S. N., *Delaware*, Mr. J. Mason Campbell, *Maryland*, Mr. D. H. Conrad, *Virginia*, Mr. Josiah Collins, *North Carolina*, Mr. R. F. W. Allston, *South Carolina*, Mr. James Potter, *Georgia*, Mr. George R. Fairbanks, *Florida*, Mr. Robert T. Bunker, *Alabama*, Mr. George S. Yerger, *Mississippi*, Mr. Mr. W. N. Mercer, M. D., *Louisiana*, Mr. E. B. Nichols, *Texas*, Mr. Francis B. Fogg, *Tennessee*. Mr. A. H. Churchill, *Kentucky*, Mr. Bellamy Storer, *Ohio*, Mr. Jas. Morrison, *Indiana*, Mr. Daniel Hough, *Missouri*, Major Martin, *Kansas*, Mr. H. P. Baldwin, *Michigan*, Mr. A. L. Pritchard, *Wisconsin*, Mr. B. B. Richards, *Iowa*, Mr. H. T. Wells, *Minnesota*, Mr. Edward Stanley, *California*, Mr. L. B. Otis, *Illinois*.

The Rev. Dr. Mead offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to the Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, the Rector of this Parish, for his prompt and unwearied attention to the comfort of the General Convention, during the present Session, and also to the Vestry of St. Paul's Church for the use of this Church, and for their kind provision for our accommodation; and that the Secretary be requested to convey to the Rector and Vestry of said Church, a copy of this resolution, and also a copy of the Journal of this Convention, when published, to each member of the Vestry.

On motion of Mr. Wm. Welsh,

Resolved, That each Bishop be authorized to fill any vacancy that may occur in the Committee (on Mr. Ruggles' resolutions) in his Diocese during the recess of the Convention, and that he be earnestly desired to aid this Committee by his advice and co-operation.

On motion of Mr. Wm. Welsh,

Resolved, That the Clerical and Lay Deputies from the Diocese in which the General Convention is to hold its Session, be a Committee to [illegible] all the arrangements requisite therefor.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Willey,

Resolved, That, [illegible] the distribution of the Journals of this Convention, the Secretary be, and hereby is, instructed to transmit to the Secretaries of the Conventions of the various Dioceses, for distribution

by them, the quota to which each Diocese is entitled, prepaying the expenses of such transportation.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn,

Resolved, That this House will long remember, with affectionate gratitude, the courteous attention of the Rectors of Parishes in this city, and the overflowing, unsurpassed hospitality with which the Clergy and Laity of this Body have been entertained by the families among whom they have sojourned, and at whose hands they have received so many kindnesses, as to render even this warm acknowledgment but a poor expression of their thankfulness.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Manser,

Resolved, Unanimously, that the sincere thanks of this House be presented to our venerable President, for the very courteous, impartial, and faithful manner in which he has presided over its deliberations during the present Session.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Burgess

Resolved, Unanimously, that the hearty thanks of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies be tendered to the Secretary and the Assistant Secretaries, for the very faithful and satisfactory manner in which they have performed their arduous duties during the present Session.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Manser,

Resolved, Unanimously, that the thanks of this House be, and hereby are tendered to the Treasurer of this Convention for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

The Rev. Dr. Mead asked the attention of the House to Message No. 32 from the House of Bishops, transmitting a Canon passed by that House, designated as Section XVII. of Canon XIII., Title I. (See p. 117.)

A motion was made that this House concur in the action of the House of Bishops.

The period of the Morning Session having elapsed, the House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The Canon "Of a Bishop resigning his jurisdiction, and becoming a Parish Minister" being under consideration, the question on concurrence with the House of Bishops in enacting the Canon was taken, and it was decided in the negative. (See p. 118.)

The Rev. Dr. Littlejohn offered the following resolutions:

Whereas, the rapidly-growing demand, in all parts of the country,

for the services of the Church, and the present impossibility of supplying regular Clerical services in Parishes and Congregations already in existence, make it imperatively necessary that the Church should, through this General Convention, adopt some measures promotive of an immediate increase of the Ministry; therefore,

Resolved, That the Parochial Clergy be earnestly requested to bring the Church's pressing need of additional laborers before their respective Congregations at least once a year, or oftener if thought expedient; also, to solicit offerings for the education of indigent candidates for Holy Orders; and, at all suitable times, and in all suitable ways, to impress the Church's wants upon the minds of the young.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy to urge upon their Congregations the duty of bestowing upon the Training-schools and Colleges of the Church a more liberal and effective patronage, and that the Heads and Teachers of our Institutions of learning be invited to lend their aid, in such forms as their judgment may approve, in the great work of supplying pious and well-educated candidates for Holy Orders.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stubbs, the first resolution was amended by striking out the words "at least once a year," and inserting "especially in the Ember seasons."

And the Preamble and resolutions as amended were, on motion, adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 209.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in adopting the resolution conveyed to this House in Message No. 19 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, (on the extension of the Jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop to China, see p. 84,) because, under the provisions of the Canons, the origination of such a designation of Episcopal jurisdiction pertains to the House of Bishops, and is to be perfected through the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and that this House ask a Committee of Conference, and have appointed, as a Committee on the part of this House, Bishops De Lancey, Whittingham, and Burgess.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, a Committee of Conference was appointed on the part of this house.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Shelton, Mr. Tazewell Taylor, and Mr. Wm. T. Lee. (See p. 141.)

On motion of Mr. E. F. Chambers,

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies beg leave to represent to the House of Bishops their earnest anxiety for the adoption of the proposed Canon, entitled, "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," Section III., Canon V., Title III.; and, in the hope that a conference may result in some modification which will secure for it the favor of the House of Bishops, they therefore invite a Committee of Conference on the subject, and have named, on the part of

this House, the following persons: the Rev. Dr. Randall, the Rev. Dr. Van Ingen, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Canfield, and Mr. Huntington. (See p. 141.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Burgess,

Resolved, That the Canon which was adopted by this House last evening, designated as Clause 2, Section III., Canon XIII., Title I., (See p. 126,) be reconsidered.

Mr. Burgess then proposed to amend by striking out the word "three," and substituting "six." (See p. 45, Section II., sixth line.) The Amendment was, by a vote of the House, approved, and, the whole, as amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. J. N. Conyngham,

Resolved, That the great subject of the Christian education of the youth of our Church, as well in the family as in our own Church-schools and Colleges, be referred, as a special matter of interest, to the consideration of the Committee of the Laity appointed at the present Session of the Convention. (See p. 136.)

On motion of Mr. H. D. Evans, the Report of the Joint Committee on the Digest was taken from the table, and Canon II., Title IV. of the Digest, and Canon III., Title IV. of the Digest, were, on his motion, respectively adopted. (See pp. 86–7.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, The Committee on the Digest of Canons have completed their labors, to the great satisfaction of this Convention; therefore,

Resolved, That the unanimous thanks of this House of Deputies be, and are hereby tendered to the Joint Committee on the Digest, for their untiring and successful assiduity in the work which has engaged them during the last three years.

The Rev. Dr. Richard S. Mason presented the following, which, on his motion, was referred to the next General Convention, and ordered to be printed in the Journal:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be adopted:

CANON.

Every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Bishop in whose Diocese he resides; and Canons VI. and VII. of 1856 shall be applicable to the case of every resigned Bishop, provided that in the form of the Testimonial in the 2d Section of the VIth Canon, instead of the words, "is a Presbyter," shall be read, "is a resigned Bishop, acting as a Presbyter."

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton presented the following, which, on his motion, was referred to the next General Convention, and ordered to be printed in the Journal:

CANON.

If any Bishop of this Church shall resign his jurisdiction, and his resignation shall be canonically accepted by the Bishops of this Church, he shall thereupon and thereby become canonically resident within the Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, and shall, until he be restored to jurisdiction, by election to the office of a Diocesan or Missionary Bishop, be subject to all the regulations and restrictions, and entitled to all the privileges which apply to the Presbyters of this Church.

The Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, from the Committee on the Creation of a Church-Building Fund, reported progress, and desired that the Committee be continued. The Committee were accordingly continued.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 217.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, as transmitted to this House in Message No. 40, (see p. 90,) from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Also the following: (See p. 218.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference be appointed to meet the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, on the subject communicated to this House in Message No. 44, (viz.: Canon of Congregations in Foreign Countries, see p. 139.) Committee on the part of this House, Bishops De Lancey, Eastburn, and Burgess.

The Rev. Dr. Mahan presented the following, and moved that it be referred to the next General Convention, and be printed in the Journal.

A Bishop resigning his jurisdiction, whose resignation has been duly accepted, shall be subject to the Canons and Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he shall reside; saving only the privileges of his Order, as secured by the Constitution and Canons of this Church

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Tazewell Taylor presented the following report:

The Committee on the part of this House to confer with a Committee of the House of Bishops, on the difference between the two Houses on the resolution adopted by this House on the 18th inst., relating to the extension of the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of China over the Empire of Japan, (see p. 138,) beg leave to report, as the result of their conference, and to recommend to this House to reconsider the said resolution, and to adopt, in lieu thereof, the following resolution, namely:

That this House respectfully ask the House of Bishops to make provision for the extension of the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of China over the Empire of Japan, and to send to this House, for its concurrence, their action thereon. (See p. 143.)

The Rev. Dr. Randall, for the Committee of Conference, (see p. 139,) reported the Canon "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," with the amendments which had been agreed upon:

The Joint Committee of Conference report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Section III. of Canon V., of Title III. of the Digest.

Of Congregations, or Parishes, in Foreign Countries.

1. It shall be lawful for persons belonging to this Church, but resident in any Foreign Country, (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the Colonies and Dependencies thereof,) not within the limits of any Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, to organize as a Church or Congregation.

2. Such Church or Congregation shall be required in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize, and accede to, the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

3. In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Church-Warden, and two Vestrymen, or Trustees of said Church or Congregation.

4. Such Certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention, during its Session, or the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, a Certificate thereof shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of the Church, and such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

5. Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in the United States, the exercise of any Episcopal power or function, in relation to such Church or Congregation, for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

6. The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation, shall in all respects be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, while in charge of such Church or Congregation.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN WILLIAMS,
Chairman pro tem., of the Committee of the House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The following Message from the House of Bishops was received: (See p. 217.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in passing the amendment of the 4th Clause, Section VIII., Canon XII., Title I. of the Digest, transmitted to this House in Message No. 37. (See p. 129.)

Also the following: (See p. 219.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the Amendment of Canon V. of 1832, entitled Canon XIII. of Title I., transmitted to this House in Message No. 46. (See pp. 49, 139.)

Also the following: (See p. 220.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved. That this House adopt the Canon "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," as reported to this House by the Joint Committee of Conference.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, the House concurred. So the Canon, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. E. F. Chambers made a motion, as follows:

Resolved. That a Committee be appointed to notify the House of Bishops that this House has finished its business, and is prepared to adjourn *sine die*, unless the House of Bishops have some further communication to make.

The question was put by the Chair, and the resolution adopted.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Mead and Mr. E. F. Chambers to make this communication.

A Message from the House of Bishops was received as follows: (See p. 220.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That any Missions of this Church which have been or may be established in the Empire of Japan, be placed under the temporary jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop to China, until other Episcopal supervision shall be provided. (See p. 141.)

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the arrangement above reported was approved.

Another Message was received from the House of Bishops, as follows: (See p. 218.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in passing the Amendment to Canon XII., Title II. of the Digest (p. 75), transmitted to this House in Message No. 38 (see p. 129); because there is no sufficient cause, at this late period of the Session, for the passage of the Amendment, which, in their view, seriously changes the aspect of the Canon.

The Rev. Dr. Higbee moved that a Committee of Conference be appointed. Pending which motion, the following Message was received: See p. 216.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution, Message No. 23 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration: (See p. 100.)

Resolved, That the action of the Bishops, at the Convention of 1856, on the subject indicated in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, having been preceded by the deliberations of a Commission appointed at the Convention of 1853, and also by much deliberation and discussion in the House of Bishops at both Conventions, the House of Bishops are not prepared, at this very late hour of the Session, to take any action which may seem to involve the reconsideration of their former action.

On motion of Mr. W. H. Battle, the motion of the Rev. Dr. Higbee was laid on the table.

Mr. E. F. Chambers made a motion that the last Message from the House of Bishops be referred to the next General Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, the motion to refer was laid on the table.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops: (See p. 217.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the enactment of Clause 8, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., viz.: Of the Trial of Ministers within the Jurisdiction of Foreign Missionary Bishops. (See p. 107.)

Also: (See p. 215.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the enactment of Canon VII., Title II. of the Digest, entitled, Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Presbyter or Deacon. (See p. 106.)

Also: (See p. 215.)

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the enactment of Canon IX. of Title II. of the Digest, entitled, Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop. (See p. 106.)

The Secretary of the House of Bishops announced that they were ready to join this House in the closing exercises of the Session.

The House of Bishops then entered.

Appropriate Collects were read by the Right Rev. Bishop McIlvaine.

The Presiding Bishop then gave a parting address in the stead of a Pastoral Letter from the House of Bishops, which customary document, he apprized the House of Deputies, would not be issued at the close of this Session of the Convention.

The "Gloria in excelsis" was sung. The Apostolic Benediction was pronounced by the Presiding Bishop.

The House of Bishops then retired.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Higbee,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the incidental expenses of this Convention, on the order of the Secretary.

The rough Minutes of the day were read and approved.

The President of the House then rose and delivered the following Address:

I congratulate you, brethren of the Clergy and Laity, that we have come to the close of another Session of the great Council of our Church in harmony and peace. Throughout our deliberations, the voice of party spirit has not once been heard. All seem to have been actuated alike by a pure, earnest, controlling desire for the prosperity of the Church of Christ, and the increase of pure religion and virtue.

The credit of this blessed condition of things, none, I trust, will presume to ascribe to ourselves. Let us, with devout gratitude, give all the praise, where alone it belongs, to a gracious, overruling guidance of the Spirit of God.

That you have thought my conduct, in the administration of the office which your partiality conferred upon me, at all worthy of favorable notice, is owing more to your charitable construction than my own deserts. I thank you for it with my whole heart; and, as an expression of my sense of your kindness, would pray that God, in his good providence may always have you in his holy keeping, and conduct you

n health and safety to your homes, and to a reunion with 'our families and friends.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stevens,

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to enter the Address of the President on the Journal of the House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton,

Resolved, That after the Benediction shall have been pronounced by he President, the Convention be adjourned.

Prayers were then conducted by the President, closing with the Benediction.

The President then declared the Convention adjourned *ine die.*

Signed by order of the House,

WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D.D.,
President.

Attest,

M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE, D.D.,
Secretary.

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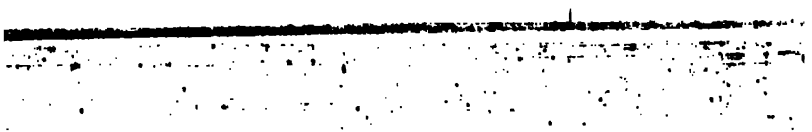

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OF THE

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

RICHMOND, VA., Wednesday, Oct. 5th, 1859.

THIS being the day and place appointed by a resolution
he last General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal
ırch of the United States of America for the meeting of
body,* the Right Rev. Wm. Meade, D.D., of Virginia;
Right Rev. John H. Hopkins, D.D., LL.D., of Vermont;
Right Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., of Ken-
ky; the Right Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D.,
.L., Oxon, of Ohio; the Right Rev. James Hervey Otey,
)., LL.D., of Tennessee; the Right Rev. Jackson Kemper,
)., Diocesan Bishop of Wisconsin, and Missionary Bishop
ıe North West; the Right Rev. Samuel Allen McCoskry,
)., D.C.L., Oxon, of Michigan; the Right Rev. Leonidas
k, D.D., of Louisiana; the Right Rev. William Rollinson
ittingham, D.D., LL.D., of Maryland; the Right Rev.
)hen Elliott, D.D., of Georgia; the Right Rev. Alfred
, D.D., of Delaware; the Right Rev. Manton Eastburn,
)., of Massachusetts; the Right Rev. Carlton Chase, D.D.,
New Hampshire; the Right Rev. Nicholas Hamner
)bs, D.D., of Alabama; the Right Rev. Cicero Stephens
wks, D.D., of Missouri; the Right Rev. Alonzo Potter,
)., LL.D., of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. George Bur-

*The Venerable Senior Bishop of the Church, the Right Rev.
mas Church Brownell, D.D., LL.D., of Connecticut, was, by reason
is advanced years, and the distance of the place of meeting from
residence, prevented from attending the Session of the General
vention.

gess, D.D., of Maine; the Right Rev. George Upfold, D.D., LL.D., of Indiana; the Right Rev. William Mercer Green, D.D., of Mississippi; the Right Rev. Francis Huger Rutledge, D.D., of Florida; the Right Rev. John Williams, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Connecticut; the Right Rev. Henry John Whitehouse, D.D., of Illinois; the Right Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., of North Carolina; the Right Rev. Thomas F. Scott, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Oregon and Washington Territories; the Right Rev. Henry W. Lee, D.D., of Iowa; the Right Rev. Thomas M. Clark, D.D., of Rhode Island; and the Right Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania, attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church.

The Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. R. Hines, assisted by the Rev. C. T. Quintard. The Ante Communion Service was read by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins. The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Otey. The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. Bishop Meade, assisted by the other Bishops present.

After Divine Service in St. Paul's Church, the said Bishops assembled in the Lecture Room.

The Senior Bishop present, the Right Rev. Bishop Meade, took the Chair. The roll was then called, when a quorum being present, the House proceeded to business.

On motion of Bishop McIlvaine, the Rev. Dr. Balch, of the Diocese of Maryland, was unanimously elected Secretary.

On motion of Bishop Otey, a Committee consisting of two Bishops was appointed to invite the Right Rev. Dr. Binney, Bishop of Nova Scotia, to an honorary seat in this House. (See p. 164.)

Bishops McIlvaine and Otey were appointed said Committee, and introduced Bishop Binney, who, after being received by the House, was seated on the right of the Presiding Bishop.

On motion of Bishop Lee, of Delaware,

Resolved, That the Right Rev. John Payne, D.D., Missionary Bishop to Africa, be invited to an honorary seat in this House, and that the Secretary inform Bishop Payne of the action of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt, and the Hon. E. A. Newton appeared as a Committee from the House of Clerical and Lay

Deputies, and announced that that House was organized by the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Creighton, of New York, as President, and the Rev. Dr. Howe, of Pennsylvania, as Secretary, and was ready to proceed to business.

On motion of Bishop Otey.

Resolved, That, until further order, the House will meet daily at 10 o'clock, and adjourn at 3 o'clock—taking a recess of half an hour at 12 o'clock.

On motion of Bishop Upfold, the House adjourned to attend Divine Service to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, Oct. 6th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church.

Prayers were read by Bishop Upfold and Bishop Chase.

Present as yesterday, with the addition of the Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, DD., LL.D., D.C.L., Oxon, of Western New York; the Right Rev. John Johns, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia; and the Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., Provisional Bishop of New York.

The roll was called, and the Minutes of the first day were read and approved.

Bishop Kemper presented and read his Triennial Report, which, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was laid on the table for the present. (See Appendix.)

Bishop Alfred Lee presented a Report on "Rules of Order, and an Order of Business," which, on motion, were adopted seriatim, except the 6th; and, on motion of Bishop Upfold, the Report was ordered to be printed. (See p. 154.)

Bishop Whittingham moved the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House, regarding its assemblage as an especial call and opportunity for diligent labor for the edification of the Churches committed to the charge of its members, finds in the present condition of this Church, and of our Country, urgent reason why that opportunity should be turned to the utmost possible account.

Resolved, That the issual of a Pastoral Letter, on canonical request of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, carefully prepared by the joint labor of all the members of the House, with reference to points of Doctrine, Discipline, and Practice, to which there is most urgent need that the attention of the Churches should be directed at this juncture, is a proper and convenient mode of making such endeavor

for the edification of the Churches, in discharge of the peculiar responsibility of this body.

Resolved, That in order to such preparation, each Bishop will confer with the Clerical and Lay Delegations from his Diocese, in order to inquire and determine what matters the condition of that Diocese, or other considerations, may suggest as proper to be treated of in the Pastoral Letter, and to report the result of such conference on the fifth day of the present Session of this House.

Resolved, That within two days after the reception of such reports, the House will determine, with regard to each, whether it shall be referred to a Committee of the House in order to the introduction of the matters suggested for treatment, or of any specified portion or particular thereof, into the Pastoral Letter.

Resolved, That a Committee of five Bishops shall be chosen by ballot on the seventh day of the present Session of this House, to whom, together with the Presiding Bishop, the preparation of a Pastoral Letter from such reports, or portions of reports, as shall have been referred to it, shall be assigned; such Committee to report on the twelfth day of this Session, or as much earlier as may be found convenient or needful.

Resolved, That the Pastoral Letter so prepared and reported, shall be read to this House, and, on such reading, open to such minor alterations as may be at the time resolved on; but, for any important alteration, shall be recommitted with instructions to the same Committee, whose action shall in that case be final.

Resolved, That the Letter so prepared shall be signed by all the members of this House, and so issued to the Churches.

Bishop De Lancey moved the following amendment:

To strike out the word "all" in the last clause.

On motion of Bishop Horatio Potter, the resolutions of Bishop Whittingham, and the proposed amendment of Bishop De Lancey, were laid on the table, and made the Order of the Day for to-morrow at half-past twelve o'clock. (See p. 156.)

Bishop Otey presented a report of his labors in the South West; and, on motion of Bishop McCoskry,

Resolved, That the Report of Bishop Otey, acting as Missionary Bishop of the South West, together with the Report of the Missionary Bishop of the North West, be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See Appendix.)

The Presiding Bishop announced the following Standing Committees:

On the Admission of New Dioceses.—Bishops Polk, Cobbs, Burgess, and Atkinson.

On the Consecration of Bishops.—Bishops De Lancey, Eastburn, Williams, and Scott.

Bishop McIlvaine presented Testimonials relating to the

election of the Assistant Bishop of Ohio, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. (See p. 166.)

On motion of Bishop Kemper, Bishop Lee, of Iowa, was requested to present a Report of his Episcopal labors in Nebraska. (See Appendix.)

Bishop Scott moved the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that, when this House adjourn on Friday, it will adjourn until Monday, with the view of devoting Saturday to the business of the Board of Missions;

Which, on motion of Bishop Kemper, was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Bishop Hopkins,

Resolved, That the subject of the relations of this Church with the Church of England, in reference to the transfer and discipline of Clergymen, be referred to a Committee of five members of this House.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the following Bishops said Committee: Bishops Hopkins, Smith, McIlvaine, Williams, and Whitehouse. (See p. 200.)

On motion of Bishop Whitehouse,

Resolved, That the subject of the transfer of a Clergyman from this Church to the Church of Sweden, and the relation of a Clergyman ordained in Sweden wishing to officiate in this Country, on which the Bishop of Illinois asks for advice in reference to pending cases in his jurisdiction, be referred to the Joint Committee on friendly intercourse with the Church of Sweden.

The Secretary read a communication from the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, which, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was laid on the table for the present. (See p. 200.)

On motion, the House adjourned

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 7th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary read the Report of the Right Rev. Wm. J. Boone, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Amoy, in China, which, on motion of Bishop Kemper, was ordered to be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See Appendix.)

The Secretary read the Report of the Right Rev. Thomas F. Scott, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Oregon and Washington Territories; which, on motion of Bishop Kemper, was ordered to be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See Appendix.)

The Presiding Bishop announced the following Standing Committees:

Committee on Canons.—Bishops Hopkins, Alonzo Potter, and Whittingham. (See p. .)

Committee on Amendments of the Constitution.—Bishops Elliott, Upfold, and Johns.

Committee on Domestic Missions.—Bishops Kemper, H. W. Lee, and Burgess.

Committee on Foreign Missions.—Bishops McIlvaine, Polk and Clark.

Committee on Memorials and Petitions.—Bishops De Lancey, Alfred Lee, and Smith.

Committee on the General Theological Seminary.—Bishops Horatio Potter, Atkinson, and McCoskry.

Committee on Unfinished Business.—Bishops Smith, Chase, Rutledge, and Hawks.

Committee on the Prayer Book.—Bishops Cobbs, Green, and Bowman.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 1.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Diocese of Minnesota be admitted into Union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America;

Which, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was referred to the Committee on the admission of New Dioceses. (See p. 153.)

On motion of Bishop Burgess,

Resolved, That Bishop Hopkins and Bishop McIlvaine, both be members of the Committee on friendly intercourse with the Church of Sweden.

Bishop Scott called up the resolution offered by him on the Second Day's Session, viz.:—"That when this House adjourn, it will adjourn until Monday, with the view of devoting Saturday to the business of the Board of Missions," which was lost by the following vote:

AYES, 9; NAYS, 16.

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 2.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Diocese of Kansas be admitted into Union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America;

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. (See p. 156.)

Bishop Polk presented the following Report:

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses report that they find the papers referred to them from Minnesota in proper form, and move the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, admitting the Diocese of Minnesota into Union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and that notice of this concurrence be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Bishop Kemper, the Secretary was instructed to transmit to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the concurrence of this House in the above resolution, in a message.

The Sixth reported Rule of Order, passed over yesterday for further consideration, was called up by Bishop Whitehouse, and the following (see Rule 12, p. 302, Journal 1856,) proposed as a substitute for the same, which was adopted by the Committee in place of the one reported, and on motion passed by the House.

And the following Rules of Order and Order of Business, thus amended, were,

On motion of Bishop De Lancey, adopted.

The Committee appointed at the last Session of this Body to prepare and report for consideration "Rules of Order and an Order of Business," present their Report as follows, viz.:

RULES OF ORDER.

House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

The House shall meet for business immediately after the opening Divine Services of the General Convention, and shall be called to order by the Presiding Bishop, or in his absence, by the Senior Bishop present. The roll of members shall be called by the Secretary of the House at the last previous session, who shall act as Secretary *pro tem.* In his absence the Junior Bishop present shall act as Secretary *pro tem.* The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary. If but one candidate be nominated, the election shall be *viva voce.* If more than one, by ballot. With the approbation of the presiding officer, the Secretary may, at any period of the Session, appoint an assistant.

DAILY ORDER.

I. Attendance, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, on the Morning Service of the Church.

II. The House shall meet for business one hour after the hour appointed for Morning Service, unless otherwise ordered at the previous adjournment. When the President shall have taken the Chair, the roll shall be called. The Minutes of the last meeting shall then be read by the Secretary, and acted upon by the House.

III. The business of the House shall be disposed of in the order following:

a Communications from the President.

b Messages from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, not yet disposed of.

c Reports from Standing Committees, in the order in which the Committees are named in the First General Rule.

d Reports from Special Committees.

e Petitions and Memorials.

f Motions and Resolutions.

IV. The Order of the Day shall be taken up at the hour appointed, unless dispensed with by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

GENERAL RULES.

I. Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on a Committee shall act as its Chairman. The Standing Committees, to be announced not later than the third day of the Session, shall be as follows:

1. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
2. On Consecration of Bishops.
3. On Amendments of the Constitution.
4. On Canons.
5. On the General Theological Seminary.
6. On Domestic Missions.
7. On Foreign Missions.
8. On the Prayer Book.

9. On Memorials and Petitions.
10. On Unfinished Business.

Each of these Committees shall consist of not more than five nor less than three members, at the discretion of the President.

II. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the House until seconded.

III. Members in discussion shall address the Chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

IV. Every member present shall, on a division, be counted, unless personally interested in the question to be decided.

V. The ayes and noes may be required by any two members, and shall in such case be entered on the Journal.

VI. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. The motions to lay upon the table and to adjourn, shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

VII. Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted by vote of the House. Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House, shall be accompanied by specific resolutions.

VIII. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate, but appeal may be taken from such decision. On such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

IX. Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject differing from the one under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

X. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same Session of the Convention except with the consent of two-thirds of the House. A motion to reconsider can only be made by one who voted with the majority on the previous determination of the question.

XI. Messages from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient. Committees from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall be admitted immediately.

XII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

XIII. These rules shall be in force in subsequent Sessions of this House until otherwise ordered.

ALFRED LEE,
ALONZO POTTER,
JNO. WILLIAMS.

The Committee further beg leave to present, as a Supplement to their Report, the following proposition; which they do not recommend to go into operation during the present Session, but to be adopted for future meetings of this body, and if adopted, to be incorporated with the Order for the First Day's Session.

The Senior Bishop of this Church shall be the Presiding Bishop for all purposes mentioned in the Constitution or Canons; and he shall preside in all Councils and other meetings of Bishops, or in his absence from such Councils or meetings, the next in order of seniority shall preside, except when this House sits as a part of the General Convention. When this House is so in Session, it shall, on the first day, elect a President of the House, who shall preside for that Session only, who shall not be eligible to a re-election at the succeeding Session, and who shall attest the Journal.

Bishop Kemper having tendered the resignation of his jurisdiction as Missionary Bishop of the North West, the House accepted the same, and,

On motion of Bishop H. W. Lee, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The venerable Missionary Bishop of the North West has offered to this House, his resignation of the Missionary Jurisdiction, which has been under his charge for twenty-four years; Therefore,

Resolved, That in accepting the resignation of the Missionary Bishop of the North West, this House hereby expresses its deep sense of the faithful manner in which the Missionary Bishop has performed his arduous work; and they also feel it to be their duty and their privilege to assure him of the gratitude of the whole Church for his earnest, self-denying and apostolic labors.

Resolved, That the above resolution be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The hour for the Order of the Day having arrived, Bishop Whittingham called up the resolution offered by him on the Second Day's Session, relating to the Pastoral Letter, which, together with the amendment offered by Bishop De Lancey, were referred to a Committee of three.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Atkinson, Alfred Lee, and Clark, said Committee. (See p. 159.)

Bishop Polk presented the following Report:

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses report, that they find the papers referred to them, from Kansas, in proper form;

And moved the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, admitting the Diocese of Kansas into Union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and, that notice of this concurrence be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Which was adopted.

Bishop Whittingham offered the proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution, p. 205 Journal of 1856; and,

On motion of Bishop Elliott, it was made the Order of the Day for Monday, at half-past 12 o'clock. (See p. 164.)

A Catalogue, in chronological order, of all the persons admitted to Deacon's Orders, by the Bishops of this Church, since the introduction of its Episcopate, was laid before the House by Bishop Burgess, who proposed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the said Catalogue be placed under the charge of the Conservator and Registrar.

Resolved, That the Conservator and Registrar be directed to add to the above Catalogue, from year to year, a full list, in chronological order, of all persons who may have been admitted to the Order of Deacons within the preceding year; so that such Catalogue may be perpetuated.

On motion of Bishop Elliott:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed, to whom shall be referred the Volume and Resolutions laid before this House by Bishop Burgess, who shall report upon the whole subject. (See p. 160.)

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Elliott, Williams, and Green, said Committee.

Bishop H. W. Lee presented and read his Report of Episcopal labors in Nebraska; which,

On motion of Bishop McCoskry, was ordered to be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. (See Appendix.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 3.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the next Triennial Meeting of the General Convention be held in Chicago, Illinois.

Bishop H. W. Lee moved, that the House of Bishops concur.

Bishop Eastburn moved to substitute Philadelphia, in place of Chicago.

Bishop Upfold moved to substitute Detroit, in place of Philadelphia.

The question was taken on Bishop Upfold's motion, and decided in the negative.

The question was then taken on Bishop Eastburn's motion, and adopted by the following vote:—AYES, 16. NAYS, 10.

On motion, it was resolved to reconsider the motion of Bishop Eastburn.

Bishop Alonzo Potter then moved to lay the whole subject on the table, which was lost. AYES, 11. NAYS, 17.

Bishop Elliott moved that the House adjourn, which was lost by the following vote: AYES, 15. NAYS, 15.

And the final question being taken on the motion of Bishop Eastburn, to substitute Philadelphia in place of Chicago, it was adopted by the following vote: AYES, 16. NAYS, 13.

On motion of Bishop De Lancey,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the selection of Chicago as the place of meeting of the next General Convention; but that they prefer and have selected the City of Philadelphia in lieu thereof; for the reason, that they deem it more convenient and accessible to a larger body of the Clerical and Lay Members, nearer to the Archives of the General Convention, and more convenient and advantageous to the General Institutions of the Church connected with the body. (See p. 203.)

On motion the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY'S SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 8th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and attended Divine Service, in St. Paul's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the exception of Bishop Eastburn, absent from sickness, and with the addition of the Right Rev. Thomas Frederick Davis, D.D., of South Carolina.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop made a verbal communication to the House respecting the consecration of the Bishops elect.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 4.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, If the House of Bishops concur, that the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to Digest the Canons of this Church, be referred to a Special Joint Committee, composed of the Committee on Canons of each House, to consider and report what action in relation to the repeal of existing Canons may be necessary, in case it is adopted, and also to report upon any emendations, or additions to the same, which may be submitted to such Committee, by either House, or may be suggested by members of such Committee.

And on motion of Bishop De Lancey, this House concurred.

The Secretary presented certain testimonials relating to the Bishop elect of New Jersey, which, on motion, were laid on the table for the present.

A communication from the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, was called up, and,

On motion of Bishop Hawks, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary. (See p. 200.)

The following communication was read by the Secretary:

Rev'd L. P. W. Balch, D.D., Secretary of the House of Bishops.

Rev'd and Dear Sir:

In compliance with a resolution of the Board of Missions, passed on the 7th inst., I transmit to the General Convention, the Eighth Triennial Report of that Body.

Very respectfully,

P. VAN PELT, *Secretary of the Board of Missions.*

Richmond, October 8th, 1859.

And, on motion of Bishop Johns, said Report was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. (See p. 195.)

Bishop Alfred Lee presented the Triennial Report of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

On motion of Bishop Alfred Lee, the said Report was referred to a Joint Committee of the two Houses of the General Convention, to consider the same; and also to nominate a Board of Trustees, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the said Fund. (See p. 183.)

Bishop Atkinson presented the following Report:

The Committee appointed to consider the resolutions on the subject

of the Pastoral Letter, offered by the Bishop of Maryland, beg leave to report, that having performed that duty, they are of opinion that the resolutions contain principles of important practical value, which they believe might be beneficially introduced into the usage of the Church; but, that there are some matters of detail incorporated into these resolutions, from which they are compelled to dissent. They therefore beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the issue of a Pastoral Letter, carefully prepared by the co-operation of all the Members of this House, with reference to those subjects to which there is most urgent need that the attention of the Churches should be directed, is a proper and convenient mode of laboring for the edification of the Communion which this Body is appointed to watch over.

Resolved, That in order to such preparation, each Bishop shall be requested to state, either orally or in writing, as he may think best, what matters the condition of his Diocese, or other considerations may suggest, as proper to be treated of in the Pastoral Letter; and that such statements be asked for on the day of the present Session of this House.

Resolved, That within two days thereafter, a Committee of five Bishops shall be chosen by ballot, to whom, together with the Presiding Bishop, the preparation of a Pastoral Letter from such statements, shall be assigned, and who shall report such Letter on the day of this Session, or as much earlier as may be found convenient or needful, in order to its acceptance or modification by the House;

Which, on motion, was made the Order of the Day for Monday at one o'clock. (See p. 164.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 5.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has appointed the Rev. Dr. W. Bacon Stevens, the Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason, the Rev. Dr. McMasters, Mr. E. A. Newton, Mr. F. B. Fogg, Mr. H. P. Baldwin, to be a Committee to act in conjunction with a Committee which may be appointed by the House of Bishops to nominate a Board of Missions.

And, on motion of Bishop McIlvaine, the House proceeded to ballot for three members to act in conjunction with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as a Committee to nominate a Board of Missions. Bishops Williams, Polk, and Burgess, were elected said Committee.

Bishop Elliott submitted the following Report:

The Committee to which was referred the volume offered by the Bishop of Maine, to the House of Bishops, together with the resolutions which accompanied them, begs leave to report that,

Whereas, The Bishop of Maine has prepared with great labor and

accuracy, a volume containing a Catalogue in chronological order, of all the persons admitted to Deacon's Orders by the Bishops of this Church, since the introduction of its Episcopate; and has offered this volume to the acceptance of the House of Bishops, accompanied by a desire that it may be deposited with the Registrar of the General Convention and continued by him; therefore,

Resolved, That the volume prepared by the Bishop of Maine, be accepted by the House of Bishops, and placed in charge of the Registrar of the General Convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be given to the Bishop of Maine, for his most valuable contribution to the records of the Church.

Resolved, That the Registrar be directed to add to the Catalogue of the Bishop of Maine, a full list, from year to year, commencing with the 1st of January, 1859, in chronological order, of all persons who may have been admitted to the Order of Deacons within the preceding year.

Resolved, That to facilitate the labors of the Registrar in continuing the Catalogue, the Bishops will furnish him, as soon as convenient after the Ordination of any Deacon, with his name in full, and the precise date of his Ordination.

Resolved, That each Bishop will also furnish the Registrar with the name of any Clergyman who may die in his Diocese, together with the date of his death.

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,
W. M. GREEN,
JOHN WILLIAMS.

And on motion, the said resolutions were adopted.

Bishop Whitehouse presented, on the request of the Clerical and Lay Deputies from the Diocese of Illinois, certain resolutions of the recent Convention of the Diocese, and read the same.

Bishop Meade also presented a paper relating to the same subject, placed in his hands as Presiding Bishop, which was also read.

And on motion of Bishop McIlvaine, the whole were referred to a Special Committee of three.

Bishops Hopkins, Davis, and H. W. Lee, were appointed said Committee. (See p. 177.)

On motion of Bishop H. W. Lee,

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Canons be requested to consider the expediency of so amending Canon X. of 1856, as to provide Episcopal supervision in Missionary jurisdictions, for which no Missionary Bishop has been appointed. (See p. 184.)

Bishop Alonzo Potter offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Whereas, It is represented to this House, that measures for the division of the Diocese of Pennsylvania may be matured soon, with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of said Diocese; and

Whereas, Such measures being matured, and such consent given, inconvenience might result from delaying action until the next meeting of this Body in 1862; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that said proposed division be approved of by this Convention, provided it also receive the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and of the Convention thereof duly assembled; and that, when the consent of these parties, duly attested, shall be presented to the Bishop Presiding, and to the Secretary of this House, and to the President and Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies now assembled, the consent of this Body to such division of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, be formally certified under their hand and seal, to the Bishop and Convention of said Diocese.

Bishop Alonzo Potter proposed the following Canon, instead of Canon VIII. of 1838, which,

On motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Whenever a Diocese shall be formed, either by dividing an existing Diocese, or, by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, and the consent of the General Convention, and of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned shall be duly given, the Primary Convention of the new Diocese shall be immediately called for the purpose of enabling it to organize. Said Convention shall be called by the Bishop of the Diocese, within which another is formed, or, in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, by the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of said new Diocese. If there be no Bishop answering this description, then the Standing Committee of the Diocese above designated, shall make this call; the eldest of two or more Dioceses, when there is more than one concerned, having precedence.

The Bishop, or Standing Committee, calling such Primary Convention, shall fix the time and place of meeting—the place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 5.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops be accepted, and that, so soon as the Testimonials can be prepared, the House proceed to sign the same; and the House herewith transmits the Testimonials duly signed.

And the testimonials relating to the Bishops-elect of Texas, New Jersey, Assistant of Ohio, and Minnesota, together with those already on the table of the House, were,

On motion of Bishop Hawks, referred to the Committee on Consecrations. (See p. 166.)

On motion, the House adjourned

FIFTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY, October 10th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present, as at the last meeting, with the addition of Bishop Eastburn.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop made a verbal communication respecting the Consecration of the Bishops elect.

The Presiding Bishop announced Bishops Horatio Potter, Burgess, and Williams as a Committee to act with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to consider the report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, &c.; and also to nominate a Board of Trustees in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of said Fund. (See p. 191.)

Bishop Hopkins, Chairman of the Special Committee to whom were referred the papers presented by Bishops Whitehouse and Meade, relating to the action of the Convention of the Diocese of Illinois, asked leave to retire, and, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, leave was granted. (See pp. 162, 177.)

Message No. 5, received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was returned with the following Message:

The House of Bishops having received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the following resolution, viz.: "*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops be accepted, and that, so soon as the Testimonials can be prepared, the House proceed to sign the same, and the House herewith transmits the Testimonials duly signed,"—beg leave to state that the said resolution does not express the assent of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the consecration of the Bishops-elect, as required by Canon III. of 1832, and that the resolution is therefore respectfully returned for the further canonical action of the said House.

On motion of Bishop Elliott,

Resolved, That two members be added to the Committee on Canons.

And the Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Otey and Williams additional members of said Committee.

The hour for the Order of the Day having arrived, viz.: the Amendment of Art. V. of the Constitution, proposed by Bishop Whittingham, and recorded on p. 205, Journal of 1856—on motion,

Resolved, That said Amendment be referred to the Committee on Amendments of the Constitution. (See p. 183.)

On motion of Bishop Kemper, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops, as a Council, having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

The Order of the Day, viz., the report of Bishop Atkinson, Chairman of the Committee to whom were referred the resolutions of Bishop Whittingham, together with an amendment offered by Bishop De Lancey, relating to the Pastoral Letter,—being under consideration, Bishop Atkinson moved the adoption of the first resolution.

Bishop Elliott moved the following substitute:

Resolved, That there be no change in the mode of preparing the Pastoral Letter for this Session.

Bishop McIlvaine moved to lay the whole subject on the table for the present. AYES, 10; NAYS, 12.—Lost.

The question being then taken on the substitute offered by Bishop Elliott, it was adopted.

On motion, it was unanimously resolved to dispense with the ballot, and, on motion of Bishop Kemper, Bishops Meade, Hopkins, and Smith were appointed a Committee to prepare the Pastoral Letter. (See p. 213.)

The Right Rev. Dr. Binney, Bishop of Nova Scotia, asked leave to address the House, and expressed his thanks for the cordial welcome which he had received—the deep interest which had been awakened in him by the deliberations of the Convention—and the close sympathy which existed between the Mother Church and her elder and younger daughters, the American and Colonial Churches—and also his great regret at being unable to remain to participate in the approaching consecrations.

To these remarks the Presiding Bishop responded on behalf of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY'S SESSION.

TUESDAY, October 11th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following Message from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was received:

MESSAGE No. 6.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed, on the part of this House, to unite with the Committee of the House of Bishops, as a Joint Committee, on the report of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and also to nominate a Board of Trustees in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of said Fund. Committee on the part of this House, Rev. Drs. Wyatt and A. H. Vinton, and Mr. Washington Hunt.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops, as a Council, having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Testimonials from their respective Dioceses of the Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Texas, and the Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New Jersey, and the Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Ohio, and the Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Minnesota, having been approved by this House, and the Testimonials from this House having been signed by a constitutional majority of Clerical and Lay Deputies, this House do now hereby assent to the consecration of the said four Bishops-elect.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Testimonials from this House, be transmitted by the Secretary to the House of Bishops.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, was referred to the Committee on Consecrations.

Bishop De Lancey asked leave for the Committee on Consecrations to retire, which, on motion, was granted.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 8.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment of Article III. of the Constitution, which was acted upon at the last General Convention, be laid on the table.

Which, on motion of Bishop Elliott, was referred to the Committee on Amendments of the Constitution. (See p. 170.)

Bishop De Lancey presented the following report, and the resolution submitted by the Committee was, on motion of Bishop Johns, adopted:

The Committee on Consecrations respectfully report:

That they have examined the papers committed to them relative to the consecration of the Rev. Alexander Gregg, Presbyter, elected May 6th, 1859, Bishop of the Diocese of Texas; the Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., Presbyter, elected May 27, 1859, Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey; the Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Presbyter, elected June 3d, 1859, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio; the Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., Presbyter, elected June 30th, 1859, Bishop of the Diocese of Minnesota; and that, in conformity to Canon III. of 1832, there has been produced to the House of Bishops, in the case of each of them,

1. Canonical evidence of his election, from the Convention electing him.

2. Canonical evidence of the approbation of his Testimonials by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

3. Canonical evidence of the assent of the said House to his Consecration.

4. And the certificates prescribed by the said Canon, signed by a constitutional majority of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the consecration of the Rev. Alexander Gregg, as Bishop of the Diocese of Texas; of the Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey; of the Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio; and of the Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Minnesota; and that the Right Rev. Wm. Meade, D.D., Bishop of Virginia, now Presiding in this House, is hereby authorized and requested to make the nec-

sary arrangements for such consecration on Thursday morning next, October 13th, in St. Paul's Church, in the City of Richmond.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. DE LANCEY, *Chairman.*
MANTON EASTBURN.
J. WILLIAMS.
THOMAS F. SCOTT.

On motion the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY'S SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 12th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop made a verbal communication respecting the consecration of the Bishops-elect.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 9.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the proposed Canon entitled, "Of Councils of Conciliation," which was, in Convention of 1856, postponed to the next General Convention, and which is printed on page 331 of the Journal of that Convention, be referred to the Joint Committee appointed to revise the proposed Digest of the Canons.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 10.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the proposed Canon "A," entitled "Of Definitions," printed on pp. 306–7 of the Journal of 1856, and the proposed Canon "C," entitled "Of Amenability and Residence," printed on pp. 307–8 of the same Journal, also the two proposed Canons sent herewith in MS., and severally entitled "Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations," and "Of the Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others," shall be re-

ferred to the Joint Committee appointed to revise the Digest of the Canons:

CANON

Of the Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others.

1. No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, except in visiting the sick, administering Baptism or the Holy Communion to the sick, solemnizing Matrimony between persons, one or both of whom shall belong to his own cure, or burying the dead, within the Parish or parochial cure of another, unless with the express permission of the Minister of the Parish or parochial cure in which he shall so officiate; or if such cure be vacant, or the Minister thereof be absent, of the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Congregation, or a majority of them.

2. The ascertainment and defining of the Boundaries of existing Parishes, as well as the establishment of new Churches and Congregations, and forming of new Parishes, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions for the Dioceses respectively.

3. Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes or establishment of new Churches or Congregations within the limits of other Parishes shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof, and in case of there being no Bishop, in the ecclesiastical authority; provided, that no Church Building shall be erected or occupied for the purposes of the worship of this Church within one mile of any Church Building owned or occupied by any organized Congregation in connection with this Church, without the permission of the Minister and Vestry of such Congregation.

4. Until action is had by the Dioceses respectively, a Parish or parochial cure shall be taken, in any city, town, borough, or village having more than two thousand inhabitants, to extend half a mile in every direction from the Church building with which it is connected. In other cases, the limits of a parochial cure shall be co-extensive with those of the district within which the Church building with which it is connected shall be situated, such district being one established by law for election purposes, the voters residing within which are to vote at one place.

5. If there are several Church Buildings owned or occupied by organized Congregations in connection with this Church, within any district such as is mentioned in the last clause, or in any city, town, borough or village within half a mile of the place where any Minister is desirous of officiating, it shall be the duty of such Minister to obtain the permission required in the first clause of this Section, from the Ministers of a majority of such Congregations, or from all, if there are no more than two.

6. If any Minister of this Church, from inability or any other cause shall neglect to perform the regular services of his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent that some other Minister of the Church may officiate within his cure, the Church Wardens, Vestrymen or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect and refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be

deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before-mentioned authority, to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 204.)

The House took a recess. After recess, the Presiding Bishop made a verbal communication respecting the consecration of the Bishops-elect.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops, as a Council, having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion of Bishop Upfold,

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that a Joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to devise a plan for the creation of a Church building Fund, for the purpose of assisting feeble Parishes, and Congregations at Missionary Stations, in the erection of Church edifices, and that the Committee report at the present Session of the General Convention.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Upfold, Clark and Bowman said Committee. (See p. 199.)

On motion of Bishop Johns,

Resolved, That for this Consecration, the order of election shall determine the order of seniority of the four Bishops-elect.

Bishop Alonzo Potter presented the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed at the Session of the General Convention of 1853, on the preparation of a Prayer Book in the Spanish language, and continued in the Convention of 1856, beg leave to report:

That the work of publishing a translation of the Book of Common Prayer in the Spanish language having been undertaken by other bodies connected with the Church, there is no necessity for the further continuance of the Committee; they therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring (see p. 135), that the Committee be discharged.

A. POTTER,
Chairman.

And, on motion, the resolution submitted by the Committee was adopted.

Bishop Williams presented a memorial from the Rev. Mr. Lamson and the Protestant Episcopal Church in Paris,

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials. (See Appendix.)

Bishop Elliott presented the following report:

The Committee on Amendments of the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 8 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, together with the proposed Amendment of Art. III. of the Constitution, begs leave to report:

That *Whereas*, the House of Bishops did not originate the proposed Amendment of the IIId Article of the Constitution, now under consideration of the Convention, to wit:

"In all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and, in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of law;"

And *Whereas*, the apparent effect of the Article, as now proposed, is to take from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Bishops, therefore

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not agree to ratify the proposed Amendment to Art. III. of the Constitution.

STEPHEN ELLIOTT.
JOHN JOHNS.
GEORGE UPFOLD.

On motion, the resolution presented by the Committee was adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That, with a view of attending the Consecrations of the Bishops-elect, when the House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet on Friday morning for business, at the usual hour.

On motion, the House adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 13th, 1859.

The Bishops assembled pursuant to adjournment, and a part of their number, according to the several appointments of the Presiding Bishop, proceeded to the Monumental Church, to the Consecration of the Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop-elect of Texas, a part to St. Paul's Church, to the Consecration of the Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop-elect of New Jersey, and the Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of Ohio, and a part to St. James' Church, to the Consecration of the Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., Bishop-elect of Minnesota.

NINTH DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 14th, 1859

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the addition of the Right Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop of the Diocese of Texas, the Right Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey, the Right Rev. G. T. Bedell, D.D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, and the Right Rev. H. B. Whipple, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Minnesota.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication from the Secretary of the Board of Missions was received and read, and, on motion of Bishop Johns, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions:

To the Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D.D., Secretary of the House of Bishops.

Rev. and Dear Sir:

By direction of the Board of Missions, I transmit to the House of Bishops the accompanying resolution, adopted by the Board at a meeting held on the 12th inst.

Very respectfully yours, &c.,

P. VAN PELT,

Secretary of the Board of Missions.

Richmond, October 13th, 1859.

Resolved, That the Board of Missions do hereby request the House of Bishops to nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, two Missionary Bishops for the Western Frontier, viz., one Missionary Bishop for the South West, and one for the North West. (See p. 182.)

Bishop McIlvaine presented a report from the Commission on Church Unity, which was read, and, on motion of Bishop Otey, accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

On motion of Bishop McIlvaine,

Resolved, That the Commission on Church Unity be continued.

Bishop Whittingham presented the following report on "Revision of the Course of Ecclesiastical Studies." (See p. 206, Journal of 1856.)

To the House of Bishops.

The Special Committee appointed in 1856 to revise the course of Ecclesiastical Studies, respectfully report:

That, inasmuch as one of the members of the Committee felt an unwillingness to act in the premises, and the unanimous action required by the resolution appointing the Committee became impossible, the Committee has only been able to take some preliminary steps, and now ask to be either discharged or continued, at the pleasure of the House.

By order of the Committee.

W. R. WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman.

And, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, the Committee was continued.

Bishop McIlvaine declined serving on said Committee, and the Presiding Bishop appointed Bishop H. W. Lee to fill the vacancy.

Bishop Burgess presented a memorial of the Rev. J. C. Jacobi, which was read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. (See p. 174.)

On motion of Bishop De Lancey, the Standing Committee on Records, as provided for by a rule of the House (see p. 215, Journal of 1853), was appointed.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops De Lancey, Horatio Potter, and Odenheimer, said Committee.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its business.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 11.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the persons nominated by the Joint Committee to whom the duty of making such nomination was confided, be, and the same are hereby appointed, on the part of this House, to be a Board of Missions for three years next ensuing.

The following Message from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was received:

MESSAGE No. 12.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has decided in the negative a resolution to ratify the Amendment of Art. VI. of the Constitution, proposed at the General Convention of 1856. (See p. 188.)

On motion of Bishop Johns, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion, the House adjourned.

TENTH DAY'S SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 15th, 1859.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the exception of Bishop Elliott.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, made the following report:

The Joint Committee on Canons reports unfavorably with regard to the Resolutions and project of a Canon submitted by the Bishop of Pennsylvania to the House of Bishops, and by that House referred to the Committee, on the ground that Art. V. of the Constitution requiring the fulfillment of certain conditions in order to the Division of a Diocese, makes it necessary that such conditions should actually have been fulfilled, before the General Convention can consent to any Division under said Article.

In behalf of the Committee,

WM. R. WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman.

Message No. 12 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (see p. 172, Ninth Day), having been called up, on motion of Bishop Alfred Lee, was referred to the Committee on Amendments of the Constitution. (See p. 188.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 13.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to nominate and elect at this time, two Missionary Bishops, one for the North West, and one for the South West.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

Bishop Kemper, Chairman of the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to whom was referred the

resolution of the Board of Missions, requesting the House of Bishops to nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, two Missionary Bishops for the Western Frontier, viz., one Missionary Bishop for the South West, and one for the North West, and likewise the unanimous resolution of the other House, beg leave to report:

That they consider the measure deserving the earliest attention of this House. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will go into a nomination of two Missionary Bishops at 11 o'clock A. M., on Tuesday.

JACKSON KEMPER.
GEORGE BURGESS.
HENRY W. LEE.

And, on motion, the resolution reported by the Committee was unanimously adopted. (See p. 182.)

On motion of Bishop Kemper,

Resolved, That all those portions of our country north of 36° 30′, not yet organized into Dioceses, or included within Missionary Districts, be within the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the North West.

Resolved, That all those portions of our country south of 36° 30′, not yet organized into Dioceses, be within the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the South West.

Bishop Burgess, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report and resolution, and, on motion, the resolution was adopted:

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Rev. John C. Jacobi, Deacon, on Missions to the Jews, beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House fully recognize the duty and importance of special efforts for the conversion of the multitudes of the Hebrew race who still reject the Gospel of the Son of God; and commend such efforts, wherever the Providence of God shall provide them, to the prayers and efforts of the Church in general, and to the affectionate supervision of each Bishop in whose Diocese they may be undertaken.

JACKSON KEMPER.
GEORGE BURGESS.
HENRY W. LEE.

Bishop Henry W. Lee offered the following resolution; which,

On motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Canons, be requested to consider and report whether any modification is called for in Canon X. of 1856, entitled, Of Missionary Bishops within the United States.

Bishop Williams proposed to amend Section 2, of Canon XLII., of 1832, by adding at the end of the first sentence, after the words, "repelled party," the words, "within three months from the date of such repulsion;" and, also, at the close of the next sentence, after the words, "has taken place," the words "and should no such Canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity, as will insure an impartial inquiry;" and moved to refer the proposition to the Joint Committee on Canons. Adopted.

Bishop Eastburn proposed the following addition to the resolution of Bishop Williams.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Joint Committee on Canons to consider the expediency of inserting, after the words "from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister," in Section 2, of Canon XLII., of 1832, the words, "or from the want of jurisdiction of the said Minister." Adopted.

On motion of Bishop Whittingham,

Resolved, That the thanks of the House be respectfully tendered to the State Librarian, for his polite attention in offering the use of sundry maps, important to the House in its present deliberations.

Bishop Otey presented the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed to prepare a Digest of the Canons of the Church, under appropriate Titles, Canons and Sections, respectfully report in part,

That they have compared the said Digest with the text of the existing Canons in every word, and have confined themselves to alterations of the following nature, in such Digest:

Verbal and clerical corrections; omissions of portions of existing Canons, which occasionally occurred; and the restitution of the original language in such instances in which it had been changed.

The substitution of a somewhat different phraseology in some cases, in which it appeared clearly to the Committee, that the sense and intent of the law would be more clearly expressed and carried out.

The introduction of the word "Holy," before the word "Orders," where the ministry is designated; which, in some cases, had been omitted, both in the original Text, and in the Digest.

A variation of the collocation of Sections, or portions of Sections, in a few instances.

Some changes in the Titles of Canons, better calculated to indicate the subjects of the provisions.

These changes have been unanimously agreed to.

The Committee have also, from a minute comparison, satisfied themselves that no part of the existing Canons has been omitted.

The Committee are now engaged in executing another portion of the duty assigned to them, namely, in relation to the modifications of, or,

additions to, the existing law, upon which they are not now prepared to report.

The Committee propose the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Digest of the Canons of this Church now submitted, be approved and adopted by this House.

2. *Resolved*, That the Joint Committee of Canons be appointed to print such Digest in such form, and with such reference to previous Canons on the same subject, by way of note or otherwise, as they shall see fit.

3. *Resolved*, That the following be prefixed to the said Digest.

A Canon of Ratification.

The following are declared and adopted as the Canons for the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Passed in General Convention, Richmond, Va., October, 1859.

4. *Resolved*, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that during the remainder of this Session, all reference to the Committee of either House upon Canons, shall be understood to be to the Joint Committee of both Houses.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Committee on Canons of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Committee on Canons of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Upfold moved to lay the report on the table for the present. Lost.

On motion of Bishop De Lancey, the first resolution was adopted.

On motion of Bishop De Lancey, the second resolution was adopted.

On motion of Bishop Whittingham, the third resolution was laid on the table for the present.

On motion, the fourth resolution was adopted.

And, on motion, the Secretary was instructed to send notice of the action of this House, to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

On motion of Bishop Alfred Lee,

Resolved, That this House concur in appointing as a Board of Missions, for the three years next ensuing, the persons nominated by the Joint Committee of the two Houses, and conveyed to this House in Message No. 11, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

Bishop Hopkins presented a Memorial from sundry organists from New York, which,

On motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials.

Bishop Hopkins presented the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolutions adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of Illinois, concerning the residence of their Bishop, praying the House of Bishops "to take such action as in their wisdom and judgment will promote the peace and quiet of that Diocese, and the satisfaction of the Church generally," respectfully report,

That after having heard, at large, the statements of the Bishop, as also of the Delegates of said Convention, and considered the whole matter with care and attention, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops unanimously requests and advises the Right Reverend the Bishop of Illinois, in view of all the circumstances, to transfer, as speedily as may be, the residence of his family to Illinois.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
THOMAS F. DAVIS,
HENRY W. LEE.

Which resolution, on motion, was adopted.

After which, the Bishop of Illinois rose in his place, and declared that he should comply with the resolution of the House.

Bishop De Lancey moved to strike off the minutes all that relates to the resolutions from the Diocese of Illinois, except the above report and resolution.

Bishop McIlvaine moved to lay this resolution on the table until Tuesday next. Adopted. (See p. 199.)

On motion

The House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY, October 17th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as on Saturday, with the exception of Bishops Elliott and Atkinson.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, submitted the following Report, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that Clause 3 of Section VII. of the XIII. Canon of Title II. of the Digest (on the last line but one of page 35, as printed in the report), is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

3. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop; or, of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Episcopate shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 14.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference be appointed on the part of this House, to select and report to the Convention the place of meeting of the next General Convention. Committee on the part of this House, the Rev. Drs. Clarkson and Higbee, Rev. Mr. Shand, and Messrs. S. H. Huntington and J. W. Winans.

On motion of Bishop Johns,

Resolved, That this House concur, and that a Committee of three be appointed on the part of this House, to act with the Committee appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as a Joint Committee to select and report to the Convention the place of meeting of the next General Convention.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Johns, McCoskry, and Kemper, said Committee.

Bishop De Lancey, from the Standing Committee on Records, submitted a Report from the Registrar, which was read, and, on motion, ordered to be printed in the Appendix. (See Appendix.)

On motion of Bishop De Lancey,

Resolved, That a Standing Committee be appointed, to be called. "The Committee on Canonical Intercourse with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies."

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops De Lancey and Chase, said Committee.

On motion of Bishop Clark, the Commission on opening Communications with Sister and Foreign Churches was continued. (See p. 206 Journal of 1856.)

Bishops Whittingham, Alfred Lee, Eastburn, Williams, and Clark, said Commission.

Bishop Kemper, from the Joint Committee of Conference, presented the following Report:

The Committee of Conference of both Houses unanimously recommend, that the next meeting of the General Convention be held in the city of New York.

JACKSON KEMPER,
Chairman.

And, on motion, the House concurred with the recommendation, and appointed New York as the place of meeting of the next General Convention.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 15.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the next Session of the General Convention be held in the city of New York.

On motion, the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY'S SESSION.

TUESDAY, Oct. 18th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the addition of Bishop Elliott and Bishop Atkinson, and with the exception of Bishop McCoskry.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary read a letter addressed to the Senior Bishop of this Church by Bishop De Lancey, which, on motion of Bishop Otey, was ordered to be printed in the Appendix,

and, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, it was ordered also to be sent to the Registrar.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Report; and, on motion of Bishop Alonzo Potter, the House concurred in the same:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred certain proposed Amendments of Articles II. and III. of the Constitution, respectfully report, that in their opinion, it is not expedient at this time to recommend the proposed Amendments of the Constitution.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Deputies.

They further report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be added as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon II. of Title IV. of the Digest:

Of the Repeal, Amendment, and Enactment of new Canons.

In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Canon —— (or Section —— of Canon ——, or, Clause —— of Section —— of Canon —— of Title ——) is hereby amended so as to read as follows, &c.;" and if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next Section, or next Clause, of a Canon or Section, in order of numbering of the Title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon, or Section, or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each Session of the Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of the Committee of House of Bishops.
WILLIAM COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

They further report as follows:

Resolved, That the following Canon be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon III. of Title IV. of the Digest:

Time of Canons going into effect.

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and sixty, from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby, and shall be deemed to be repealed: *Provided*, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons, committed before that date, but such

case shall be governed by the same Canons as if no such repeal had taken place.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of the Com. of House of Bishops.
WILLIAM COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, was adopted.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, which, on motion of Bishop Alfred Lee, was laid on the table for the present, and, on motion of Bishop Bedell, was ordered to be printed.

The Joint Committee on Canons report as follows:

Resolved, That the following Canon be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Section III. of Canon V., of Title III. of the Digest:

Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries.

1. It shall be lawful for persons belonging to this Church, but resident in any Foreign Country (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the Colonies and dependencies thereof), not within the limits of any Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, to organize a Church or Congregation.

2. Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

3. In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Church Warden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees, and to furnish satisfactory evidence that the establishment of such Church or Congregation has been authorized by, or is not inconsistent with the laws of the Government of the Foreign Country in which the same is, or is proposed to be established.

4. Such certificate and evidence, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention during its Session, or to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to, and be placed under the Episcopal Government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop.

5. Such Presiding Bishop, for the time being, may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop of this Church the exercise of any Episcopal power or function in relation to such Church or Congregation, for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

6. The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation, shall in all respects be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop,

or of such other Bishop named by him, as above provided, while in charge of such Church or Congregation.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD.
Chairman of Com. of House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.

The hour having arrived at which the House resolved to nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, for their election, a Missionary Bishop for the North West and a Missionary Bishop for the South West—

After spending some time in silent devotion, the House proceeded to ballot.

Whereupon, it was found that the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Connecticut, was elected to be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as Missionary Bishop of the North West. (See p. 206.)

The House then proceeded to nominate a Missionary Bishop for the South West, and, after balloting, it was found that the Rev. H. C. Lay, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, Alabama, was elected to be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as Missionary Bishop for the South West. (See p. 171.)

On motion of Bishop Bowman,

Resolved, That the Secretary do inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that this House nominates to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Connecticut, as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and the Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, Alabama, as Missionary Bishop for the South West.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 16.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That whereas the House of Bishops has informed this House of the passage of the following resolution, that a Joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to devise a plan for the Creation of a Church-Building Fund for the purpose of assisting feeble Parishes and Congregations at Missionary Stations, requiring that the Committee shall report at the next General Convention; and that Bishops Upfold, Clark, and Bowman, had been appointed such Committee on the part of the House of Bishops; therefore,

Resolved, That the above resolution be adopted by this House, and

that three of its members be appointed upon this Committee. Committee on the part of this House, Rev. Drs. Littlejohn and Talbot, and Mr. Wm. Welsh. (See p. 126.)

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business.

Bishop Horatio Potter submitted the following Report:

The Joint Committee appointed by the two houses to nominate a Board of seven Trustees for the management, for the next three years, of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, nominate the following persons: The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., the Rev. Chas. Burroughs, D.D., the Rev. John Henry Hobart, D.D., Hon. Hamilton Fish, Hon. Luther Bradish, Robert B. Minturn, Esq., and Josiah Collins, Esq.

(Signed,) HORATIO POTTER,
GEORGE BURGESS,
JOHN WILLIAMS,
A. H. VINTON,
W. E. WYATT,
WASHINGTON HUNT,
Committee.

Bishop Upfold moved the following:

Resolved, That, during the remainder of the Session of this General Convention, this House meet in the evening from 7½ to 10 o'clock.

Bishop De Lancey moved that the House meet to-morrow evening. Lost.

The question was then taken on Bishop Upfold's motion, and it was adopted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 17.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops consenting, that a Joint Committee be appointed, to whom shall be submitted the proof-sheets of the proposed Standard Bible, as they consecutively appear from the Press of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, after having undergone the examination of a Typographical Corrector, who shall be guided by the present Standard of this Church, except the typographical errors, to be corrected by the edition of 1852, printed at Oxford. Committee on the part of this House, the Rev. Drs. H. M. Mason, M. A. De W. Howe, and C. W. Andrews, Rev. Joshua Weaver, and Messrs. H. D. Evans, E. A. Newton, and W. H. Bell.

And, on motion of Bishop Chase, the House concurred, and the Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Whittingham,

Elliott, Burgess, Horatio Potter, and Odenheimer, the Committee on the part of this House.

MESSAGE No. 18.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in the proposed Amendment above communicated.

The resolution refers to an Amendment, transmitted to this House, of Clause 3 of Section VII. of the XIIIth Canon of Title II. of the Digest, and is in the following words:

"3. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Episcopate shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge."

MESSAGE No. 19.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop in China be understood to include provisionally the Missions which are or may be established in the Empire of Japan.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops, as a Council, having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

Bishop Kemper presented and read a note from Bishop McCoskry, asking leave of absence for the remainder of the session; and, on motion, leave was granted.

The House took a recess until 7½ o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Joint Committee of Canons, presented the following Reports:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to which was referred the Resolution of the Right Rev. H. W. Lee, requesting that the Committee would consider and report whether any modification is called for in Canon X., of 1856, entitled "Of Missionary Bishops in the United States," respectfully report:

That no further modification is needed, in their judgment, at this time, in the Canon submitted to the Committee.

By order of the Committee.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Committee of House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman Com. House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Hopkins presented the following Report:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to which was referred, on the motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Williams, certain amendments in the XLIId Canon of 1842, entitled "Of Crimes and Scandals to be censured." As also, an amendment of the same Canon, proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Eastburn, respectfully report:

That they recommend the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Williams, and present herewith the Canon as amended, in its complete form.

They do not recommend the adoption of the other amendment, being unanimously of opinion that it is unnecessary, as it is not to be doubted that no Minister, without Canonical jurisdiction, can perform an act of discipline.

By order of the Committee,
JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of the Committee House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman Com. House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.

Resolved, That Section II. of Canon XIII. of Title II., is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1. If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the Holy Communion, agreeably to the Rubric.

SECTION. 2. There being the provision in the Second Rubric before the Communion Service, requiring, that every Minister repelling from the Communion shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary; it is hereby provided, that on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party, within three months from such repulsion. But on receiving complaint it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he thinks fit to restore him, from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And should no such Canons exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity, as will insure an impartial decision. The notice given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party repelled.

SECTION 3. In the case of a great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against, to the depriving them of all privileges of Church membership, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided by the different Diocesan Conventions.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, was adopted.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Joint Committee of Canons, presented the following Report, which, on motion, was ordered to be printed.

The Joint Committee on Canons report the following

Resolution, providing a substitute for Canon V. of Title II. of the Digest, (formerly Canon XXXIV. of 1832.)

Resolved, That Canon V. of Title II. is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations.

SECTION I. (1). In cases of controversy between any Rector or Assistant Minister of any Church or Parish, and the Vestry or Congregation of such Church or Parish, which cannot be settled by themselves, the parties, or either of them, may make application to the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall thereupon require the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make a list of nineteen Presbyters thereof, if there be so many therein, and return the same to him; and he shall then summon the said Rector or Assistant Minister, and some one of the Vestry, or some one on the part of the Congregation to attend; and the said number shall be reduced to nine, by striking off names alternately by the Rector or Assistant Minister, and such other party; the Rector or Assistant Minister to commence such striking off.

(2). If the whole number of Presbyters in the Diocese be more than nine, and less than nineteen, then all the Presbyters must be named on such list, and the striking off shall proceed in the manner aforesaid, until nine remain. If the number be nine or less, then all the Presbyters are to be summoned. Should either party omit or decline to strike off names, the Bishop shall strike off instead of such party so omitting or declining.

(3). The Presbyters thus selected or designated shall be summoned by the Bishop to attend at some convenient time and place, and consider such controversy.

SECTION II. If it shall appear to the Bishop, and a majority of such Presbyters thus summoned that there is no hope of a favorable termination of such controversy, and that a dissolution of the connection between such Rector or Assistant Minister and Congregation is necessary to restore the peace of the Church and promote its prosperity, the Bishop and such Presbyters shall recommend to such Rector or Assistant Minister to relinquish his connection with such Church or Parish, on such conditions as shall appear to them proper and reasonable.

SECTION III. If any Rector or Assistant Minister shall refuse to comply with the recommendation of the Bishop and Presbyters, they may proceed according to the Canons of this Church to suspend him from the exercise of any ministerial functions within the Diocese, until he shall retract his refusal; or if the Vestry or Congregation shall refuse to comply with any such recommendation, they shall not be allowed any representation in the Diocesan Convention, until they shall have retracted their refusal.

SECTION IV. Where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese shall perform all the duties herein allotted to the Bishop, as well as those directed to be performed by them, provided that they shall not exercise any power under the preceding third section, without the aid and assent of some Bishop of this Church.

SECTION V. This Canon shall not be obligatory upon any Diocese which has made, or shall hereafter make provision by Canon on this subject.

Canon V. of Title II. of the Digest is hereby repealed, and the foregoing enacted in its stead.

By order of the Committee,
JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman Com. House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman Com. House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Burgess moved the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book, to consider the expediency of preparing, and if they deem it expedient, to prepare forms of Letters of Orders, and of a Sentence for the Consecration of Churches, and also the request to consecrate from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen, and any other forms of papers required by Bishops in the discharge of their official duties, and to submit them to this House to be printed, if judged desirable by the House, and used by such Bishops as may find it convenient and expedient. (See p. 212.)

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 19, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Polk moved to suspend the rule of order to allow the introduction of a motion, relating to the boundaries of the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishops. Adopted. (See p. 190).

Bishop De Lancey moved that the Secretary be instructed to request of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the return of Message No. 23 of this House, declaring the boundaries of the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishops.

Bishop Williams moved to refer the subject of the boun-

daries of the Missionary Bishops' jurisdiction to a Committee of three. Adopted.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Elliott, Hawks, and Kemper, said Committee.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 20.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has elected, on nomination by the House of Bishops, the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., to be a Missionary Bishop for the North West, and the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., to be a Missionary Bishop to the South West, in States or Territories not organized into Dioceses.

The Committee on Amendments of the Constitution submitted the following report:

The Committee on Amendments of the Constitution to which was referred Message No. 12, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, together with the proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, begs leave to report:

That it recommends to this House concurrence with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in their rejection of the proposed Amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution.

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,
J. JOHNS,
GEO. UPFOLD.

And, on motion of Bishop Williams, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The Committee on Amendments of the Constitution submitted the following Report:

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the Amendment of Article V., proposed by the Bishop of Maryland, which Amendment is as follows:

Proposed Amendment to Article V. of Constitution.

A Protestant Episcopal Church, in any State or Territory of the United States not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and new Dioceses may be formed within any State or Territory, or from portions of one or more already admitted into union, under the following restrictions:

No such Diocese, to be admitted into union, shall be formed, unless with the previously obtained consent of the General Convention. In order to such consent, it shall be necessary that the proposed Diocese shall contain at least thirty Presbyters resident and Canonically officiating within its bounds, and qualified by the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese out of which it is to be formed, to vote for a Bishop, and fifteen regularly organized and self-supporting Parishes. Nor shall such consent be given, if the formation of the proposed new

Diocese would reduce the number of Clergy and Parishes in the Diocese now in union, out of which it should be formed, below the limits required for the new Diocese.

A new Diocese may be formed within any existing Diocese, on the proposal of the Bishop of the same, by the vote of two thirds of the Diocesan Convention, at two successive Conventions, with an interval of at least one year: Provided, That such Diocese shall be entitled only to elect a Bishop, agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of this Church, who shall have exclusive Diocesan jurisdiction therein; but shall proceed no further in Diocesan organization, unless admitted into union by the General Convention, being otherwise included for all Diocesan purposes in the Diocese in union out of which it shall have been formed.

In case, &c., —— thereof (4th paragraph of existing Article unchanged).

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified —— Convention of the new Diocese (5th paragraph of existing Article unchanged).

The Bishop of a Diocese, not admitted to union with the General Convention, shall be eligible on the occurrence of a vacancy in the Episcopate of the Diocese in union with which his Diocese may be connected; but unless and until so elected, shall have only a seat and deliberative voice in the House of Bishops, but no vote—

Begs leave to Report, That in the opinion of this Committee, the time will soon come when the Church shall have to meet the question of (smaller Dioceses and) an enlarged Episcopate. But they are satisfied that the Church is not ready for the introduction of an Episcopate, such as that proposed by the Bishop of Maryland. The Church in this country, in all its legislation, has shown itself very jealous of any increase in the Episcopate, which has not been strictly Diocesan. In proof of this, your Committee refers to its very stringent provisions in relation to its Missionary Bishops, to its unwillingness to grant Assistant Bishops except in cases of the last emergency, and to its express declaration in Canon VI. of 1832, that "No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time."

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the proposed Amendments of Article V. be laid upon the table.

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,
J. JOHNS,
GEORGE UPFOLD.

And, on motion of Bishop Eastburn, the Resolution proposed by the Committee was adopted.

Bishop McIlvaine submitted a Report from the Committee on Foreign Missions, which, on motion of Bishop De Lancey, was referred back to said Committee for further consideration. (See p. 195.)

Bishop Horatio Potter submitted the following Resolution, which, on motion of Bishop Upfold, was adopted.

Resolved, That the Act of Incorporation, passed by the Legislature

Collins, Esq., are appointed Trustees of the aforesaid Fund for three years next ensuing.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 22.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a special Committee consisting of five members of each House, be appointed to consider and report, at the next General Convention, upon the whole subject of the Hymnody and Metrical Psalmody of the Church, and especially to inquire and report whether any improvements can be introduced into our present collection of Metrical Psalms and Hymns. Committee on the part of this House, Rev. Dr. Howe, of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Stevens, of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Coxe, of Maryland, Rev. Dr. Talbot, of Indiana, Rev. Dr. Andrews, of Virginia.

The House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The Secretary, on motion, was instructed to ask of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the return of Message No. 23 from this House, relating to the boundaries of the jurisdictions of Missionary Bishops, for further modification.

And, on motion of Bishop Kemper, it was

Resolved, To strike out of both resolutions the clause, "or included within Missionary Districts."

And the Message, so amended, was transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Message No. 22 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, on motion, the House concurred in the same, and the Presiding Bishop appointed the following Bishops as the Committee on the part of this House: Bishops Alonzo Potter, Bowman, Burgess, Hopkins, Whittingham.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 20th, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Report:

The Joint Committee on Canons, to which was referred the proposed Canon to be entitled "Canon of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by any Bishop, Priest, or Deacon," report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon VII. of Title II. of the Digest.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

SEC. 1. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon VI. of this Title, abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical authority as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself. Notice shall then be given to the said Minister, by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

SEC. 2. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed.

Provided, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.

The Joint Committee further report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Canon IX. of Title II. of the Digest.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop.

If any Bishop shall, without availing himself of the provisions of

Section XVI., Canon XIII. of Title I., abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in Communion with the same, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the Senior Bishop, which certificate shall be received and shall be taken and deemed as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Bishop himself. Notice shall then be given to the said Bishop, by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop, with the consent of the majority of the House of Bishops, to depose from the Ministry the Bishop so certified as abandoning, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Bishops, that he has been so deposed.

Provided, nevertheless, that if the Bishop so certified as abandoning shall transmit to the Senior Bishop a retraction of the acts and declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.

By order of the Committee,
JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Which, on motion of Bishop Burgess, was laid on the table for the present.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following report, and, on motion of Bishop Williams, the resolution submitted by the Committee was adopted.

The Joint Committee on Canons respectfully recommend that Canon I., Title II., be amended by adding to it a third Section, and offer the following resolution to that effect:

Resolved, That, by the concurrence of both Houses, the following be enacted as Section III. of Canon I., Title II., viz.:

SECTION III. A notice or citation required by any Canon of this Church, when no other mode of service is prescribed, may be served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his last place of abode within the United States; and, if he shall have left the United States, by also publishing a copy thereof in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State or Territory where such party last resided.

By order of the Committee,
JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Com. of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on

Canons, presented the following report, which, on motion of Bishop Williams, was laid on the table for the present.

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the consideration of a Canon "Of the Trial of Ministers within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop," respectfully report that they have considered and approve the same, and report it as Clause 8, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.

Of the Trial of Ministers within the Jurisdiction of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

1. If any Minister of this Church acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the provisions of Canon II., Title II., "Of Offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished;" or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop, such Clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary jurisdiction, provided that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committee, or if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

2. The Court for the trial of such Minister, shall consist of five Presbyters, excluding the members of the Standing Committee, or if there be not five, then of all the Presbyters of such Missionary jurisdiction. If there be more than five, then shall the Standing Committee select by lot the five who shall compose the Court, which Court shall proceed in the trial according to the Canons of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in so far as the same may be applicable to such a case; and where no provision is made, adequate to the exigency, the Court shall consider and adjudge the case according to the principles of law and equity.

3. The sentence of the Court shall be rendered to the Bishop of such Missionary jurisdiction, who shall have power to revise and modify the same, and the decision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive.

By order of the Committee.

JOHN H. HOPKINS,
Chairman of Com. of House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Com. of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop McIlvaine, from the Committee on Foreign Missions, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Foreign Missions report that they have had under consideration the Triennial Report of the Board of Missions and accompanying documents; and while they rejoice in the important accessions which have recently been made to the Foreign Missionary force of this Church, and the increased readiness of our people to sustain the same, and to take advantage of providential openings in the

great foreign field, they perceive in the Report nothing calling for any action on the part of this House.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
Chairman

Bishop De Lancey, from the Committee on Memorials, submitted the following Report:

The Committee on Memorials, to which was referred the Memorial from the Clergyman and Churchmen in Paris, report:

That a Canon having been submitted to this House, "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," there exists no necessity of further action of this Committee in the case, and the Committee ask to be discharged, and submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the said Memorial.

W. H. DE LANCEY,
Chairman.

Bishop Otey offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that a Joint Committee of three Bishops on the part of this House be appointed, to confer with the members of a Joint Committee from the other House, to take into consideration the provisions of Canons XLV. and XLVII. of 1832, together with the subject-matter of a Preamble and resolutions set forth by the Bishops in 1856 in answer to the Memorial of Dr. Muhlenburg and others addressed in 1853 to the Bishops in Council, on the use of the Liturgy of the Church, and also the recommendations of the said Bishops as to the amendment of the above-named Canons on pages 352 and 353 in the Appendix to the Journal of the last Convention, and also all other matters connected with the other services of the Church, as proposed for consideration by the said Bishops, and that said Joint Committee be instructed to report in full to the next General Convention in 1862.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, was laid on the table for the present. (See p. 215.)

Bishop Williams asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session.

On motion, leave was granted.

Bishop Upfold asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session.

On motion, leave was granted.

Bishop Green asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session.

On motion, leave was granted.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 23.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The Preamble and Resolutions adopted by the House of Bishops on the Eighteenth Day of the last Session of the General Convention, in relation to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, and published in the Journal of the said Convention, have disturbed the minds of many in our Church, creating doubts both as to the effect of said Preamble and Resolutions, and as to the constitutionality of the mode in which they were adopted and published; therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops is hereby respectfully requested to reconsider the said Preamble and Resolutions, and to throw the subject-matter into such shape as will admit of the joint action of both Houses of the Convention.

Which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 24.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this Convention will adjourn *sine die* on Saturday, the 22d inst.

Which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

Bishop Bowman offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Committee on Canons to consider and report as to the expediency of repealing the 2d Section of Canon IX. of 1844, and of so amending Canons III., IV., and V. of 1856, as to allow the Bishop to proceed and act in all cases there referred to, on such testimony as shall be satisfactory to himself.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 25.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do assent to the Consecration of the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and of the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the South West, and that the Secretary be instructed to transmit the Testimonials of this House duly certified.

The House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

Bishop Otey, from the Joint Committee on Canons, sub-

great foreign field, they perceive in the Report nothing calling for any action on the part of this House.

CHARLES P. MCILVAINE,
Chairman

Bishop De Lancey, from the Committee on Memorials, submitted the following Report:

The Committee on Memorials, to which was referred the Memorial from the Clergyman and Churchmen in Paris, report:

That a Canon having been submitted to this House, "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," there exists no necessity of further action of this Committee in the case, and the Committee ask to be discharged, and submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the said Memorial.

W. H. DE LANCEY,
Chairman.

Bishop Otey offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that a Joint Committee of three Bishops on the part of this House be appointed, to confer with the members of a Joint Committee from the other House, to take into consideration the provisions of Canons XLV. and XLVII. of 1832, together with the subject-matter of a Preamble and resolutions set forth by the Bishops in 1856 in answer to the Memorial of Dr. Muhlenburg and others addressed in 1853 to the Bishops in Council, on the use of the Liturgy of the Church, and also the recommendations of the said Bishops as to the amendment of the above-named Canons on pages 352 and 353 in the Appendix to the Journal of the last Convention, and also all other matters connected with the other services of the Church, as proposed for consideration by the said Bishops, and that said Joint Committee be instructed to report in full to the next General Convention in 1862.

Which, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, was laid on the table for the present. (See p. 215.)

Bishop Williams asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session.

On motion, leave was granted.

Bishop Upfold asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session.

On motion, leave was granted.

Bishop Green asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session.

On motion, leave was granted.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

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Whereas, The Preamble and Resolutions adopted by the House of Bishops on the Eighteenth Day of the last Session of the General Convention, in relation to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, and published in the Journal of the said Convention, have disturbed the minds of many in our Church, creating doubts both as to the effect of said Preamble and Resolutions, and as to the constitutionality of the mode in which they were adopted and published; therefore,

Resolved, That the House of Bishops is hereby respectfully requested to reconsider the said Preamble and Resolutions, and to throw the subject-matter into such shape as will admit of the joint action of both Houses of the Convention.

Which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 24.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that this Convention will adjourn *sine die* on Saturday, the 22d inst.

Which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

Bishop Bowman offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Committee on Canons to consider and report as to the expediency of repealing the 2d Section of Canon IX. of 1844, and of so amending Canons III., IV., and V. of 1856, as to allow the Bishop to proceed and act in all cases there referred to, on such testimony as shall be satisfactory to himself.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 25.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do assent to the Consecration of the Rev. Jacob Lyman Clark, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and of the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of the South West, and that the Secretary be instructed to transmit the Testimonials of this House duly certified.

The House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

Bishop Otey, from the Joint Committee on Canons, sub-

mitted the following Report. On motion of Bishop Kemper, the House concurred in the same, and, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, the Secretary was instructed to give notice to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of said concurrence.

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed additional Section to Canon XIII., Title I. of the Digest, beg leave to report the following to be numbered in the Digest as Clause 7, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.; and they also recommend that Clause 7 of the Digest be marked Clause 8.

Clause 7, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.—Every such Bishop may yearly appoint not less than two, nor more than five, Presbyters resident within his Missionary jurisdiction, and acting under the appointment of the Board of Missions, to act as a Standing Committee in such Missionary jurisdiction upon all questions pertaining to the interests of such Missionary jurisdiction; and in case of the absence of the Bishop from his jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, said Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical authority of such Missionary jurisdiction.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES H. OTEY,
Chairman pro tem., of the Committee of the House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Otey, from the Joint Committee on Canons, submitted the following report:

The Joint Committee on Canons respectfully report the following for adoption by the General Convention, and offer the following resolution to that effect:

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that the following be adopted as Section XVII. of Canon XIII., of Title I.:

Of a Bishop resigning his Jurisdiction and becoming a Parish Minister.

SECTION XVII.—1. No Bishop who shall have resigned or may hereafter resign his jurisdiction as a Bishop of this Church, shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Church, Parish, or Congregation in this Church, until he shall have obtained the written consent of the Bishop; or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee in which such Church, Parish, or Congregation shall be situate.

2. Any Bishop who ceases to have jurisdiction, and becomes a Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Church, Parish, or Congregation, shall, while in such Cure, not perform any Episcopal act in the Diocese in which his Cure is situate: he shall also, while he holds such Cure, be subject, in all matters concerning said Cure and

his relations thereto, to the Ecclesiastical authority and to the Canons of the Diocese in which his Cure is situate.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES H. OTEY,
Chairman pro tem. of Com. of House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of Com. of House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.

On motion, the House concurred in the first Section.

The second Section being under consideration, Bishop Johns moved to strike out the clause, "not perform any Episcopal act in the Diocese in which his Cure is situate." Lost.

On motion, the second Section was adopted; and the House passed the whole Canon, and the Secretary was instructed to give notice of the same to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Upfold submitted the following Report, and, on motion, the Committee was continued. (See p. 169.)

The Joint Committee appointed to devise a plan for the creation of a Church Building Fund, respectfully report that they have made some progress in the business committed to them, but are unable at present to mature the plan, and ask to be continued.

GEORGE UPFOLD,
Chairman.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Special Committee on the relations of this Church to the Church of England, submitted a Report, which, on motion, was referred back to the same Committee for further consideration.

Bishop Elliott proposed the following Amendment, § VIII., Section 4, p. 29 of the Digest, to insert after the words "Diocese or Missionary district," the words "whether Domestic or Foreign;" and after the word "to another," insert again "whether Domestic or Foreign." Which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on Canons. (See p. 206.)

Bishop De Lancey's resolution, offered on the tenth day, to strike off of the minutes all relating to the resolutions of the Diocese of Illinois, except the Report of the Special Committee, was then adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 21st, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the exception of Bishops Upfold, Green, and Williams.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary submitted the following Report:

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, beg leave to report, that the only matter committed to them is a Report of a Committee of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, presenting reasons for the adoption of a resolution which that Committee recommended for the approval of the Board of Trustees, which resolution, unanimously adopted, is to the effect that the Board of Trustees cannot, on either legal or moral grounds, concur in the changes in the 3d and 4th Articles of the Constitution of the Seminary, as proposed by the General Convention of 1856.

Your Committee, in returning the said report and accompanying resolution to the custody of the House, have no further action to propose.

H. POTTER,
THOMAS ATKINSON.

Bishop Hopkins, from the Committee on the Relations of this Church with the Church of England, submitted the following Report; which, on motion, was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Journal. (See p. 151.)

The Committee to which was referred the subject of the relations of this Church, with the Church of England, respectfully report as follows:

That there is a matter of considerable moment, in which the relations of the two Churches demands a more satisfactory adjustment, in accordance with the primitive and indisputable practice of ecclesiastical comity.

The subject involves the mode of introduction of Clergymen of the Church of England to our Bishops, when they seek to be associated with Parishes within their jurisdiction, and in case they desire to return, the mode in which they should be received. According to our rule, every Clergyman desiring to leave the jurisdiction of one Bishop for that of another, is bound to obtain a Letter Dismissory, in regular form. Such we presume to be the invariable practice of the Church of England, from which we derived it, in accordance with the fixed rule of the Catholic Church, in all ages. The Bishops of that venerated Church, however, have not yet extended this wholesome rule to their Brethren in the United States, although your Committee would fain hope that there can

be no serious difficulty with regard to it, when the subject is fairly placed before them. It is our desire to give the freest access to our Parishes whenever a Presbyter of the Church of England wishes to cast in his lot amongst us. But we respectfully maintain the high expediency of requiring the proper ecclesiastical proof of his worthiness, not only when he is admitted to our jurisdiction, but also when he leaves it again for that of our mother Church, fully believing that no Clergyman ought to pass from Diocese to Diocese, without the formal approval, as well of the Bishop that dismisses him, as of the Bishop by whom he is received. In no other way that we can conceive, could both the Churches be guarded so well from imposition or mistake in this important matter, or be able properly to sustain their reciprocal discipline.

In view of these considerations, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Senior Bishop be requested to address the Most Reverend, the Archbishops, and the Right Rev. the Bishops of the United Church of England and Ireland, on the foregoing topics, expressing the respectful and affectionate wish of this House, that they may be led, in their wisdom and discretion, to adopt such measures on this subject as shall be in harmony with true Catholic principle, and draw our respective Churches more closely together in the bonds of primitive Christian fraternity.

JOHN H. HOPKINS, *Chairman.*
B. B. SMITH.
CHAS. P. MCILVAINE.

Bishop Bedell submitted the following Report, which, on motion of Bishop Cobbs, was accepted.

The Committee appointed to prepare or to adopt a Book of Psalm and Hymn tunes, chants and anthems, and for other purposes, beg leave respectfully to report:

That they entered immediately on their work; that for nearly two years they devoted to it an amount of time, which, could they have foreseen, they might have hesitated to accept their commission; that they have directed to be laid on the desk of each Bishop a copy of the proposed book for their examination, and that if desired, they are ready to take such further action as the Bishops indicate.

Since the book was published the Committee have discovered imperfections, which, in the excitement of preparing it, naturally escaped their notice. A careful review, with such assistance as the opinions and experience of the Bishops might afford, and with such other aid as their wisdom may provide, would enable the Committee, at some future time, to propose to the Church a book still more generally acceptable.

Nearly seven thousand copies of this proposed book have been issued, and such favorable assurances have been received from many quarters, from Clergymen who have adopted it in their Churches, and from Laymen who have made it a household book, that the Committee are encouraged to believe, that after revision, it may become generally a companion of the Prayer Book among such as desire to further congregational singing.

The Committee have kept this object of encouraging congregational

singing steadily before them, and they will only ask your venerable House to take such further action in the premises as may seem best calculated to accomplish this end.

In conclusion, your Committee adopt as part of their Report the Preface which they were instructed to prepare, in the words following, to wit:

Recollecting the various and conflicting tastes by which we shall be judged, we trust, that without attempting the impossibility of pleasing all, we have grievously offended none. Those who prefer the solid old psalmody will find much of that character; another proportion is of a school more modern, but free from the present modern levity; while those who delight in flowing tuneful melodies will admit that they have not been stinted. These different preferences must be indulged, as long as we have psalms and hymns to which they correspond. Strains of solemn praise and adoration have their utterance in the stately chorals, while the devotion of subjective religion wants the "feeling" tune akin to the sentiment expressed. Providing for all the kinds of sacred song which have their place in our worship, we have allowed ourselves a commensurate range in the character of the tunes. Extracts from secular composers, commonly found in publications like the present, we have eschewed. Original contributions have not been wholly rejected. Here and there a tune has been admitted, only because, in some quarters, it is an old favorite; but our staple is that which has been long and deservedly loved in the "assemblies of the saints."

There are many admirable tunes extant which would have been a valuable addition to our collection, but they are not adapted to our metres. This is a loss; an adequate Tune Book for the Church requires an adequate Hymn Book. In those European countries in which congregational singing most prevails, there is no end to their devotional songs, in every variety of metre with appropriate melody.

Great pains have been taken in the assortment of words and music in harmonious connection. The replies to our circular asking for aid in such arrangement presented so little agreement, that, with a few exceptions, we were left wholly to our own choice. Most of the adaptations we venture to commend, those particularly which are designated by an asterisk. With the others we did the best in our power with the materials at command. Reviewing this part of our work, we believe it will largely contribute to that permanent association of the same psalms and hymns, with the same tunes, which animates devotion, facilitates singing, and cherishes the feeling of unity among the members of the same body. The songs of Zion thus used affect the soul like old household or national airs.

In selecting the chants we have avoided the extremes of both the "plain song" and the florid, taking the best varieties of the English chant as that which has grown up with our English Psalter, to which the experience of centuries has proved it a suitable accompaniment. In those few of the chants in which the reciting note is too high, and which were admitted because of their merit in other respects, or because they would be generally looked for in our pages, the fault may be partially remedied by transposition to a lower key; but as it is a serious fault, we recommend the use of chants in which it does not occur. Occasionally also a psalm or hymn tune may be found set too high. But this, a sensible organist will know how to regulate, according to the capacity of the congregation.

We hoped to enrich our book with a Te Deum, above the style of a chant, and yet an anthem so simple and accordant with the words as to obtain universal acceptance, desiring that in the grandest of our prose canticles we might every where sing with the same voice as, in our metre psalmody, we do in Old Hundred. After adopting the likeliest means to secure the object, we have been disappointed; but as the results of our effort were too good to be lost, they have been committed to another publication.

The Canticles from the Psalms and other places of Holy Scripture, part of them making a series for the ecclesiastical seasons, we present as a new and we hope an acceptable portion of our work. These may serve as easy congregational anthems, and supply a want much felt in "Third services" on Sundays, and on many other occasions.

In behalf of the Committee.

G. T. BEDELL.

Bishop Cobbs offered the following resolutions, which, on motion, were adopted.

Resolved, That this House duly appreciates the zeal and ability with which the Committee have discharged the laborious duty entrusted to them.

Resolved, That the subject of the Tune Book be referred to the same Committee for revision, as suggested by the Committee, and that the Committee be requested to report to the next General Convention.

On motion of Bishop Bedell, the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the Rectors of Parishes are hereby requested to communicate with this Committee, and afford them the benefit of judicious criticisms upon the Tune Book.

Bishop Whipple asked leave of absence for the remainder of the present session.

On motion, leave was granted.

Bishop Alfred Lee moved to take up Message No. 24, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, immediately after recess. Adopted.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business. Message No. 24 being under consideration, Bishop De Lancey moved that this House concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to adjourn *sine die* on Saturday, the 22d. Adopted. (See p. 158.)

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies: and, on motion, this House concurred.

MESSAGE No. 26.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following Canon be passed as a substitute for Canon IX. of 1853.

Substitute for Title I., Canon XII., Section 7 of the Digest.

Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others.

(1.) No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the Parish or within the Parochial Cure of another Clergyman, unless he has received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish, or Cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority thereof.

(2.) The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes, or Parochial Cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions for the Dioceses, respectively. Until a Canon, or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof; and in case of there being no Bishop in the Ecclesiastical authority.

(3.) Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law or otherwise, they shall, for the purposes of this section, be settled and defined by the civil divisions of the State, as follows:

(4.) Parochial boundaries shall be the limits, *as now fixed by law*, of any village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or the limits of some division of a city or town, which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish or Parochial Cure.

(5.) If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a city or town as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the Parochial Cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there are two or more Congregations or Churches therein, it shall be deemed the Cure of the Ministers thereof; and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary.

(6.) When under Diocesan authority a new Parish is constituted, and its boundaries defined, this section shall be applicable to the same as established.

(7.) If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services to his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his Cure, the Church Wardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before-mentioned authority, to open the doors

of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; and on motion of Bishop Kemper, this House unanimously concurred.

MESSAGE No. 27.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolutions, reported to this House by the Committee on the State of the Church, viz.:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of every member of the Church to consecrate a definite per centage of his income to the advancement of the cause of our Lord and Saviour.

Resolved, That systematic and frequent offerings by persons and Parishes, according to their ability, must be mainly relied upon, under the Divine blessing, for the enlargement of the benevolent operations of the Church.

Resolved, That it be recommended to all Clergymen, in charge of Parishes, to bring their flocks as near as practicable to compliance with the spirit of the Apostolic direction to the Church of Corinth—"*Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him.*" And that to this end, the Clergy bring the subject especially to the attention of the people, some time during the Advent season of each year.

Resolved, That the above resolutions be sent to the House of Bishops for their concurrence.

Bishop Gregg moved the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Clergy be requested to read the foregoing resolutions to their Congregations, at the time of bringing the subject matter thereof to their notice.

On motion of Bishop Whittingham,

Resolved, That notice be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, of the unanimous concurrence of this House in said resolutions, having added to the same the resolution offered by Bishop Gregg.

The following Message from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was received.

MESSAGE No. 28.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the view of the Church herewith presented, [to wit., Report presented by the Committee on the State of the Church,] be transmitted to the House of Bishops, soliciting their prayers and blessings, and requesting that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.

The House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 29.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of the Report of the Joint Committee on Canons, on the Canon entitled, Title II. Canon V., "Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations;" and also has, on its part, repealed Canon XXXIV. of 1832.

Bishop Kemper, from the Committee appointed to inform Dr. Clark of his election as Missionary Bishop of the North West, reported a Telegram received from Dr. Clark, declining to accept the Episcopate; and, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, the Secretary was instructed to transmit the same to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop De Lancey moved that the House proceed, at nine o'clock this evening, to nominate a Presbyter to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, for election as Missionary Bishop of the North West.

Bishop H. W. Lee moved to amend by substituting eleven o'clock to-morrow morning. Lost.

The motion of Bishop De Lancey was then adopted.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom was referred by the House of Bishops, a proposed Amendment of Canon XII., Title I., respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution on the subject.

Resolved, That the 4th Clause of Section VIII. of Canon XII. of Title I. of the Digest, be amended, so as to read as follows:

(4.) It should be the duty of all Clergymen, except Professors in the General Theological Seminary, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains in the Army and Navy, to obtain and present letters of transfer as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or *Foreign*, to another Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain therein for the space of six months. (p. 29, Digest.)

By order of the Committee,

WM. ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,
Chairman pro tem. of the Committee of the House of Bishops.
WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, submitted the following Report, which, on motion, was laid on the table for the present.

The Joint Committee on Canons, to whom the subject was referred of a certain proposed Amendment to Canon XIII., Title I. of the Digest, having considered the same, do respectfully recommend that the following section be adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the following Amendment to Section VIII., Clause 2d of Canon XIII., Title I., be amended and adopted, as follows:

(2.) Any Bishop elected and consecrated under the preceding clause of this section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop, heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction except over such Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, as may be residing in the place or country for which he has been elected or consecrated; and over such other residents, not natives of the United States, as may voluntarily attach themselves to the Church under the government and direction of such Foreign Missionary Bishop. He shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops while he continues in the exercise of the jurisdiction above named, but shall not be eligible as Bishop in any organized Diocese of the United States.

By order of the Committee,

W. R. WHITTINGHAM,

Chairman pro. tem. of the Committee of the House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,

Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, presented the following Report, which, on motion of Bishop Clark, was postponed indefinitely.

The Joint Committee on Canons respectfully report, that it has taken the subject of the provision of a mode of electing a Bishop for a Missionary jurisdiction vacant during recess of General Convention into consideration, and deems it expedient to make such provision, by the Amendment of Clause 3d of Section VII., and the addition of a new Clause in Section VIII. of Canon XIII., of Title I., in the Digest; and that it accordingly recommends the adoption of the resolutions appended to this Report.

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,

Chairman pro. tem. of the Committee of the House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,

Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Resolved, That Clause 3d of Section VII., of Canon XIII., of Title I., is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

(3.) 1. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by any other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary

Episcopate shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge, until an election of another Missionary Bishop for the same.

2. In case of a vacancy in a Missionary Episcopate by death, resignation, or refusal to accept, more than twelve months before the meeting of a General Convention, it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop of this Church to notify the same to the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

3. The Secretary of the Board of Missions, so notified, shall address a notice to each member of the said Board, that at the next Annual Meeting, if such meeting be not to take place within three months; but if the next Annual Meeting be within three months, then at the next Annual Meeting thereafter, an election of a suitable person to fill the vacant Episcopate will take place: *Provided*, that if the next Annual Meeting, not within three months, should fall within six months before a Meeting of the General Convention, then no such notice shall be issued.

4. At such Annual Meeting, not less than seventy members of the Board being present, it shall be competent for the Board, by the votes of two thirds of the members present, to elect a Bishop for the vacant Missionary Episcopate.

5. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by all the members voting for the Bishop elect, in the form required by the second Section of this Canon, to be given by the members of a Diocesan Convention on the election of a Bishop.

6. The Board of Missions shall, by its Secretary, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election of a Missionary Bishop to the Standing Committees of the Churches, as provided in the case of Consecration during Recess, in Section III. of this Canon; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Secretary of the Board of Missions, or the person or persons appointed thereto by the Board, shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials to the Senior Bishop, who shall thereupon proceed as directed in the case of Consecration during Recess, in Section III. of this Canon; and the provisions of the second Clause of said Section shall apply to consecrations under this Section also.

Clause 2, Section VIII. Canon XIII. Title I.

Resolved, That the following be adopted as Clause 2 of Section VIII., of Canon XIII., of Title I. in the Digest, viz.:

Clause 2 of Section VIII., of Canon XIII., of Title I. (A *new* clause.)

(2.) In case of a vacancy in a Missionary Episcopate of a Missionary station or stations of this Church, out of the territory of the United States, by death, resignation, or refusal to accept, more than twelve months before the meeting of a General Convention, such vacancy may be filled in the mode prescribed, and under the provisions and restrictions assigned, in Clause 3 of Section VII. of this Canon.

Message No. 29, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, being under consideration, Bishop Atkinson moved that this House do non-concur. Lost.

Bishop De Lancey moved that this House concur. Adopted.

Message No. 19, (Twelfth day,) from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, having been called up, Bishop Burgess moved that this House do non-concur, for the following reasons:

Because, under the provisions of the Constitution, the origination of such a designation of Episcopal jurisdiction pertains to the House of Bishops, and is to be perfected through the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and that this House ask a Committee of Conference.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as the Committee on the part of the House, Bishops De Lancey, Whittingham, and Burgess.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 30.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the resolution, and adopted the Canon hereto appended.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Section III of Canon V., of Title III. of the Digest.

Of Congregations, or Parishes, in Foreign Countries.

(1.) It shall be lawful for persons belonging to this Church, but resident in any Foreign Country (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the Colonies and Dependencies thereof,) not within the limits of any Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, to organize as a Church or Congregation.

(2.) Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to, the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

(3.) In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Church Warden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees, and to furnish satisfactory evidence that the establishment of such a Church or Congregation has been authorized by, or is not inconsistent with the Laws of the Government of the foreign country, in which the same is or is proposed to be established.

(4.) Such Certificate and Evidence, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention during its Session, or the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

(5.) Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, the exercise of any Episcopal power or function, in relation to such Church or Congregation, for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

(6.) The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation, shall in all respects be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, or of such other Bishop named by him as above provided, while in charge of such Church or Congregation.

By order of the Committee,

J. WILLIAMS,

Chairman pro. tem. of the Com. of the House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,

Chairman of the Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Bishop McIlvaine presented the following Resolutions relative to Church Music, which, on motion, were adopted.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the House of Bishops, there is very much in the prevailing manner of conducting those parts of our public worship which require the aid of sacred music, to which the serious attention of the Clergy and their Congregations should be directed—as, not only not promotive of a devout spirit, but very injurious thereto; as directly calculated to nurture a lifeless formality, by making the Congregation mere passive listeners to musical sounds, confined to choirs, in the formation of which there is often little reference to fitness of personal character; as virtually depriving the Congregation of their proper privilege of uniting with their voices in the worship of the Church when its words are *sung* as well as when only *read*; as impairing the beautiful simplicity of our public worship, and thus rendering it, in the parts referred to, unadapted to the greater number of our people, and so taking therefrom one of its chief excellencies, as being *Common Prayer*, accommodated to all conditions of worshipping Christian people; as causing, moreover, a needless delay and interruption of our Morning and Evening Prayer, by the introduction of music, especially such as is merely instrumental, which unprofitably and needlessly abridges the time allotted to the preaching of the Word, and, by fatiguing the hearers, both in body and mind, interferes with their ability rightly to receive the same; and lastly, as creating in all these particulars, an influence which, in our opinion, is decidedly counteractive of the proper work of God's Church, as his appointed instrument of cherishing and promoting his worship in spirit and in truth.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of the House of Bishops, the evils referred to proceed chiefly from the following causes, namely: *First*, from an oversight of the principle that the object of Church music is not the gratification of a cultivated musical taste, but by the aid of simple and appropriate music, to cultivate devout affections among all classes of worshipping people, and to enable them to commune with one another in the united and animated expression of the same.

Secondly, from the selection by organists and choirs of such tunes and chants as, on account of their not being sufficiently familiar to the Congregation, or from their want of due simplicity, the Congregation cannot be expected to unite in singing.

Thirdly, from the use of musical compositions, especially such as are

called chants, which require too much time in the performance, and also from the introduction of voluntaries on the organ, before the chants, and between the verses of psalms and hymns, which, having no value, but as exhibitions of instrumental music, are wearying to the Congregation.

Lastly, from the extent to which the control of this part of the worship of the Church is virtually taken out of the hands of the Rectors of Parishes, where alone the Church law has placed it, and is exercised by Committees and Vestries, and chiefly by organists and choirs.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the House of Bishops there can be no material improvement of our public worship in the particulars mentioned, except as each Parish Minister shall faithfully perform the duty assigned him by the Law of this Church, which, in the words of the Rubric, is, that "with such assistance as he can obtain from persons skilled in music, he shall give order concerning the tunes to be sung at any time in his Church, and especially shall suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance."

Resolved, That it be recommended to all the Pastors of our Churches, that they endeavor by all suitable measures to promote a general participation of their people, by voice, in those parts of our worship which are sung, as well in those which are not.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the House of Bishops, it is particularly incumbent on the Rectors in our larger and older cities, to see that the music of their Churches be so conducted as to afford a wholesome example to those in our humbler and younger Congregations, who naturally look to such sources for guidance in matters of external order and expediency.

Bishop Kemper, from the Committee appointed to inform Dr. Lay of his election as Missionary Bishop of the South West, read a letter from Dr. Lay, declaring his acceptance of the Bishopric.

The Order of the Day was called up, being the election of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, for election as Missionary Bishop for the North West.

The House then proceeded to ballot; whereupon, it was found that the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Indianapolis, was elected to be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as Missionary Bishop for the North West.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary do inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that this House nominates to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Indianapolis, as Missionary Bishop for the North West.

On motion, the House adjourned

SIXTEENTH DAY'S SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 22d, 1859.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, with the exception of Bishop Whipple.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bishop Whittingham, from the Joint Committee on Canons, submitted the following Report, which, on motion of Bishop Elliott, was adopted.

The Joint Committee on Canons, to which was referred, on the Thirteenth day's Session, certain alterations and additions, proposed by Bishop Upfold, in Title I., Canon V., Section 2; Title I., Canon VII.; Title III., Canon II., Section 1; and Title I., Canon XIII., Section 13, respectfully report, that it is inexpedient to act on the same at this period of the Session.

The third resolution, reported on the Tenth day by the Joint Committee on Canons, being called up by Bishop Whittingham, was, on his motion, laid on the table for the present. (See p. 222.)

Bishop De Lancey, from the Committee on Consecrations, submitted the following Report:

The Committee on Consecrations respectfully report:

That all the Canonical provisions and requirements in connection with the nomination and election of the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of the South West, having been duly complied with, they therefore submit the following resolution.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of the South West, and request the Bishop of Virginia, Presiding in this House, to take the necessary measures for such Consecration.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. DE LANCEY, *Chairman.*

Bishop Cobbs, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, submitted the following Report; and, on motion of Bishop Johns, the Committee was continued during the recess of the Convention, with authority to act as proposed in their Report.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution in reference to Forms of Letters of Ordination, &c., beg leave to Report:

That they have had the subject committed to them under consideration. They find themselves, through want of time, unable to mature and recommend the Forms called for, during the present Session of this body. They propose, however, if authorized by the House, during the recess of the Convention, to prepare, and cause to be printed, the various Forms required—to send specimens of the same to the several Bishops, informing them where, and on what terms, said Forms may be had.

N. H. COBBS, *Chairman.*

Bishop Hopkins called up Message No. 30, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and moved the adoption of the Canon on Parishes or Congregations in Foreign countries.

Bishop Bedell moved that this House do non-concur, for the following reasons, which were submitted by Bishop Burgess:

Because, the Canon requires for the establishment of a Congregation of this Church in a Foreign country, that it be authorized by, or not inconsistent with the laws of the government of such country; and

Because, there is not time to consider other Amendments proposed by several members of the House of Bishops, the subject must therefore be postponed until the next General Convention.

Adopted.

On motion of Bishop Cobbs,

Resolved, That the several Rectors be requested to read to their Congregations the resolutions offered by Bishop McIlvaine, in reference to Church music.

The House took a recess.

The House resumed its ordinary business.

The Committee on the Pastoral made a verbal report, and submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved. That the Bishops inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that in consequence of the lateness of the period at which the documents relating to the State of the Church were placed in their hands, with the accompanying request of a Pastoral Letter—that they are unable to prepare an appropriate address based upon those documents, in the few hours allowed for such a task; but must refer the members of our Communion, through the land, to the full Report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and also most affectionately commend them to the Grace of God.

On motion of Bishop Polk,

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested, immediately after the reading of the Resolution of this House, dispensing with a Pastoral Letter, to address to the Convention a few words of Pastoral advice and parting counsel.

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On motion, Message No. 35 was referred to the Committee on Consecrations.

Message No. 34 being under consideration, on motion of Bishop Burgess, it was

Resolved, To strike out all after the word "Resolved," to the words "Joint Committee."

And the resolution, thus amended, was, on motion, adopted.

Bishop De Lancey submitted the following Report, and, on motion, the resolution offered by the Committee was adopted.

The Committee on Consecrations respectfully report:

That all the Canonical provisions and requirements in connection with the nomination and election of the Rev. Joseph Cruikshank Talbot, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of the North West, having been complied with, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Joseph Cruikshank Talbot, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and request the Bishop of Virginia, presiding in this House, to take the necessary measures for such Consecration.

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Bishop Whittingham called up the motion of Bishop Otey (see p. 196), relating to the same subject, and which was laid on the table.

Bishop De Lancey asked leave to place on the files of the House his protest against the action of the House, in relation to the Pastoral Letter.

On motion, leave was granted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

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The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has concurred in the enacting of Clause 7, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I., to wit: "Of the Appointment of a Standing Committee in a Foreign Missionary Bishopric."

Also, that it has, on its part, enacted Canon VII., Title II. of the Digest, entitled, "Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon."

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Also, that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of Section III., Canon I., Title II., "Of Citations."

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The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the proposed substitutes for Canon XX., Title III., be printed in the Journal, and referred to the next General Convention.

MESSAGE No. 34.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That, while this House does not intend to commit itself to the expression of any opinion upon the subject of the orthodoxy of the Church of Sweden, or upon the succession in its Episcopate, the House of Bishops concurring, a Joint Committee, consisting of five on the part of this House, be again appointed to take into consideration the expediency of opening an intercourse with the Church of Sweden, and to report to the next General Convention. Committee on the part of this House, Rev. Drs. H. M. Mason, F. L. Hawks, Rev. Paul Trapier, and Messrs. H. D. Evans and Josiah Collins.

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The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Testimonials of the Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., be transmitted to the House of Bishops, and that this House do give their consent to his Consecration, as Missionary Bishop of the North West.

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The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted, on its part, the Canon designated Clause 8, Section VIII., Canon XIII., Title I.: "Of the Trial of Ministers

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Resolved, To strike out all after the word "Resolved," to the words "Joint Committee."

And the resolution, thus amended, was, on motion, adopted.

Bishop De Lancey submitted the following Report, and, on motion, the resolution offered by the Committee was adopted.

The Committee on Consecrations respectfully report:

That all the Canonical provisions and requirements in connection with the nomination and election of the Rev. Joseph Cruikshank Talbot, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of the North West, having been complied with, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Joseph Cruikshank Talbot, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of the North West, and request the Bishop of Virginia, presiding in this House, to take the necessary measures for such Consecration.

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Bishop Whittingham called up the motion of Bishop Otey (see p. 196), relating to the same subject, and which was laid on the table.

Message No. 38 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, Bishop Alfred Lee moved that this House non-concur, for the following reason: That there is no sufficient cause, at this late period of the Session, for the passage of the Amendment, which, in their view, seriously changes the aspect of the Canon. Adopted. AYES, 20. NAYS, 7.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 42.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has *non-concurred* in the adoption of Section XVII. of Canon XIII. of Title I.: "Of a Bishop resigning his jurisdiction and becoming a Parish Minister."

MESSAGE No. 43.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the Rev. Dr. Wm. Shelton, and Messrs. H. A. Tayloe and Wm. T. Lee, a Committee of Conference to meet the Committee already appointed by the House of Bishops, on the subject of the extension of the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop to China over our Missions in the Empire of Japan.

MESSAGE No. 44.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following, viz.:

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies beg leave to represent to the House of Bishops their earnest anxiety for the adoption of the proposed Canon, entitled "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries" (Section III., Canon V., Title III.); and in the hope that a conference will result in some modification which will secure for it the favor of the House of Bishops, they therefore invite a Committee of Conference on the subject, and have named, on the part of this House, the following persons: Rev. Dr. Randall, Rev. Dr. Van Ingen, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Canfield, Mr. Huntington.

Message No. 44 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, Bishop De Lancey moved that this House concur. Adopted.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops De Lancey, Eastburn, and Burgess the Committee on the part of this House.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 45.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the enactment of Canon II. of Title IV. of the Digest, "Of the Repeal, Amendment, &c.;" and in the

enactment of Canon III. of Title IV. of the Digest, "Of the Time of these Canons taking effect."

MESSAGE No. 46.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Amendment of Canon V. of 1832, entitled Canon XIII. of Title I.:

Of the Consecration of Bishops during the Recess of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1799, the fifth of 1808, and the sixth of 1820.]

SECTION 1. If, during the Recess of the General Convention, the Church, in any Diocese, should be desirous of the Consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary Testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed Consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the Consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same; or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the Testimonials.

SECTION 2. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites, no Consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention. But in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within six months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the Consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

Section 3, Canon V. of 1832 is hereby repealed.

Message No. 46 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, on motion, this House concurred.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 47.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House respectfully ask the House of Bishops to make provision for the Jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of

Bishop Burgess offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the action of the Bishops at the Convention of 1856, on the subject indicated in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, having been preceded by the deliberations of a Commission appointed at the Convention of 1853, and also by much deliberation and discussion in the House of Bishops at both Conventions, the House of Bishops are not prepared, at this very late hour of the Session, to take any action which may seem to involve a reconsideration of their former action. (See p. 196.)

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4. It shall be the duty of all Ministers, except Professors in the General Theological Seminary, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains in the Army and Navy, to obtain and present letters of transfer, as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, to another Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain therein for the space of six months.

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The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

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Resolved, That it is the duty of the Church to make generally accessible the annals of its legislation, both for the guidance of its lawmakers, and for the information of students of its history; and

Whereas, the documentary history of the General Convention is now wholly out of print, and rarely to be met with,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a Committee of Five be appointed from this House, to secure, either by subscription or otherwise, the republication of the Journals of the General Convention from A.D. 1785 to A.D. 1853, inclusive, provided that no pecuniary obligation be assumed by this Convention.

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On motion, Message No. 39 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was laid on the table for the present.

The House took a recess until 7½ o'clock.

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On motion of Bishop Atkinson,

Resolved, That the five Senior members of this House be appointed a Committee to prepare a Pastoral Letter to be addressed by the House of Bishops to the Church at the next General Convention.

Bishop Eastburn moved to lay the resolution of Bishop Atkinson on the table. Lost.

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Message No. 38 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, Bishop Alfred Lee moved that this House non-concur, for the following reason: That there is no sufficient cause, at this late period of the Session, for the passage of the Amendment, which, in their view, seriously changes the aspect of the Canon. Adopted. AYES, 20. NAYS, 7.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 42.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has *non-concurred* in the adoption of Section XVII. of Canon XIII. of Title I.: "Of a Bishop resigning his jurisdiction and becoming a Parish Minister."

MESSAGE No. 43.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the Rev. Dr. Wm. Shelton, and Messrs. H. A. Tayloe and Wm. T. Lee, a Committee of Conference to meet the Committee already appointed by the House of Bishops, on the subject of the extension of the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop to China over our Missions in the Empire of Japan.

MESSAGE No. 44.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following, viz.:

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies beg leave to represent to the House of Bishops their earnest anxiety for the adoption of the proposed Canon, entitled "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries" (Section III., Canon V., Title III.); and in the hope that a conference will result in some modification which will secure for it the favor of the House of Bishops, they therefore invite a Committee of Conference on the subject, and have named, on the part of this House, the following persons: Rev. Dr. Randall, Rev. Dr. Van Ingen, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Canfield, Mr. Huntington.

Message No. 44 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, Bishop De Lancey moved that this House concur. Adopted.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops De Lancey, Eastburn, and Burgess the Committee on the part of this House.

The following Messages were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 45.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the enactment of Canon II. of Title IV. of the Digest, "Of the Repeal, Amendment, &c.;" and in the

enactment of Canon III. of Title IV. of the Digest, "Of the Time of these Canons taking effect."

MESSAGE No. 46.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Amendment of Canon V. of 1832, entitled Canon XIII. of Title I.:

Of the Consecration of Bishops during the Recess of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1799, the fifth of 1808, and the sixth of 1820.]

SECTION 1. If, during the Recess of the General Convention, the Church, in any Diocese, should be desirous of the Consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary Testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed Consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the Consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same; or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the Testimonials.

SECTION 2. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites, no Consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention. But in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within six months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the Consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

Section 3, Canon V. of 1832 is hereby repealed.

Message No. 46 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies being under consideration, on motion, this House concurred.

The following Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 47.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House respectfully ask the House of Bishops to make provision for the Jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of

China over the Empire of Japan, and to send down to this House for its concurrence, their action thereon.

And, on motion of Bishop Burgess, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That any Missions of this Church which have been or may be established in the Empire of Japan, be placed under the temporary jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for China, until other Episcopal supervision shall be provided.

The Joint Committee of Conference, in reference to the Canon "Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries," submitted the following Report of the same, with amendments; and, on motion, this House concurred.

The Joint Committee of Conference report as follows:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as a Canon of this Church, to be designated as Section 3 of Canon V. of Title III. of the Digest.

Of Congregations or Parishes in Foreign Countries.

1. It shall be lawful for persons belonging to this Church, but resident in any Foreign Country (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the Colonies and dependencies thereof), not within the limits of any Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, to organize as a Church or Congregation.

2. Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

3. In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Church Warden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of the said Church or Congregation.

4. Such Certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention during its Session, or the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, a certificate thereof shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar, and such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

5. Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in these United States, the exercise of any Episcopal power or function, in relation to such Church or Congregation, for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

6. The Clergyman settled in any such Church or Congregation, shall

in all respects be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop while in charge of such Church or Congregation.

By order of the Committee,

J. WILLIAMS,

Chairman pro tem. of the Com. of House of Bishops.

WM. COOPER MEAD,

Chairman of Com. of House of Cler. and Lay Deputies.

The Rev. Dr. Mead and the Hon. E. F. Chambers, as a Committee on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, appeared and announced to this House, that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies had finished its business, and was prepared to receive the House of Bishops, and to hear the Pastoral Letter.

On motion,

Resolved, That Bishops Horatio Potter and Burgess be a Committee to prepare resolutions expressing the thanks of this House to the Bishops of Virginia, and the Rector and officers of St. Paul's Church, for the judicious arrangements made for the accommodation, comfort, and enjoyment of the members of the Convention.

The Committee submitted the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this House will not separate without expressing, in terms of more than ordinary warmth, their grateful sense of the careful and judicious arrangements adopted by the Bishop and Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, and the Rector and Officers of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, for the accommodation, comfort, and enjoyment of the members of the Convention, and of the exceedingly cordial, generous, and considerate hospitality of the citizens of Richmond; and they desire in particular to commend the constant atendance and devout and cheering union of so many worshippers on all the occasions of public religious services which have been connected with the meeting of the Convention.

Bishop Bowman offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the very cordial thanks of this House be tendered to our Secretary, for the patience, courtesy, and industry with which he has discharged the various and perplexing duties of his difficult and laborious office.

Bishop Whittingham submitted the following resolution and Prayer, and, on motion of Bishop Whitehouse, the same was adopted as far as the word "Lent"; and, on motion of Bishop Atkinson, the remainder was laid on the table.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy in charge of Par-

ishes, to bring the subject of the Church's pressing need of candidates for the Ministry before their respective Congregations during the Ember weeks, and especially during the Ember week in Lent; and that the following special prayer be recommended to the Bishops of the several Dioceses, as suitable for use in reference to this great want.

PRAYER.

ALMIGHTY GOD, our Heavenly Father, who of Thine infinite love hast given Thine only Son Jesus Christ to die on the Cross for the redemption of the world, we pray Thee to send forth more laborers into Thy Harvest. Stir up many faithful men to seek the Office and Ministry appointed for the salvation of mankind. Sanctify their hearts; enlighten their minds; guide and prosper them in their studies; train them in Thy heavenly nurture, and give them the abundance of Thy grace, that they may become able Ministers of Christ.

Grant us Thy favor and blessing in working together for the increase of the Ministry of Thy Holy Church, and bring our labors to good effect. Breathe into our hearts a love of this sacred cause. Bless all who aid us by their prayers and offerings, and grant that both we and they may strive with one mind for Thy glory and the salvation of men, that so the bounds of Thy blessed Kingdom may be enlarged to the breaking down of the kingdom of Sin, Satan, and Death; till at length the whole of Thy dispersed sheep being gathered into One Fold, shall become partakers of everlasting life by the merits and death of Jesus Christ our Saviour. AMEN.

Bishop De Lancey offered the following resolution:

The Bishops of this Church shall hold the office of Presiding Bishop in succession, and for three years, commencing with the time of the adjournment of each General Convention.

Message No. 39 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relating to the republication of the Journals and Index being under consideration, on motion, this House concurred; and the Presiding Bishop appointed, as the Committee on the part of this House, Bishops Horatio Potter, Williams, and Odenheimer.

Message No. 45 from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, transmitting the action of that House in reference to Canon III. of Title IV., "Of the time of these Canons taking effect," being under consideration, on motion, this House concurred; and, on motion of Bishop Whittingham, the House concurred in Resolution No. 3 (see Tenth Day, Rep. of Com. on Canons, p. 176.)

The Bishops then proceeded to St. Paul's Church.

Prayers were offered by Bishop McIlvaine. Bishop Burgess read the resolution adopted by the House, expressing their thanks to the Bishops of Virginia, and the

Rector and Officers of St. Paul's Church. Bishop Meade then made an address.

The two Houses united in singing the *Gloria in excelsis*, and the services were concluded with the Benediction, pronounced by the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishops then returned to their own room, when the minutes of the day were read and approved, and, on motion, the House adjourned without day.

WILLIAM MEADE, D.D.,
Senior Bishop present, and Presiding in the General Convention held in Richmond, Oct., 1859.

Attest,

LEWIS P. W. BALCH. D.D., *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

Appendix A.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

THE Committee report to the Convention the following results of their investigations into the Statistics furnished by the reports from the several Dioceses, comparing them with those presented to the last General Convention.

The Candidates for Orders were then 243, now 291.

The Ordinations of Deacons were then 254, now 301.

The Ordinations of Priests were then 227, now 238.

The Confirmations then reported were 30,644, now 43,401.

The Communicants then reported were 119,540, now 139,611.

The Baptisms then reported were 70,527, now 89,044.

The Churches then consecrated were 155, at this time 198.

The whole number of Parishes was 1825, now 2120.

The partial Report and accompanying Resolutions already submitted by the Committee and received by this House, will make it less needful that further suggestions should be now presented. With reference to the Statistics above given, your Committee must acknowledge their incompleteness; while other particulars, not here specified, but of equal interest, are confessedly needed to make this at all worthy of its intention as a view of the State of the Church. But it has been impossible to make a full compilation and comparison of these facts, because so many reports are deficient in items essential to this summary; and others have come in only on the 14th day of the Session, when they should have been ready at its opening.

Your Committee cannot fail to call the attention of this House to the mournful deficiency in the number of Candidates for Holy Orders, when compared with the pressing

necessities of the Church in this respect. If the average term of candidateship is two years, we have an accession of only one hundred and fifty per annum to the ranks of the Ministry of our Church; and in fact, during the last three years, the accessions have not reached one hundred per annum. Meanwhile death is thinning these ranks, and disease and advancing age are, year by year, withdrawing from active labor many who survive. In this connection we notice, too, that though many Parishes are vacant, and many Clergymen are ministering to two, three, or more Parishes, yet the whole number of Clergymen in some of the Dioceses far exceeds that of the Parishes in those Dioceses. It is true that a few Parishes claim the services of more than one clergyman; but it is equally true that the number of those upon whom the solemn vows of Ordination rest, who yet are unoccupied in Parochial work, is alarmingly great. The Church has need to pray as much as ever, that the Lord of the Harvest would send forth *laborers* into his harvest.

With this *prayer*, which we doubt not is fervently offered, the Church, it will be seen from these Reports, is putting forth new efforts to this end. Societies have been formed, and contributions have, in various methods, been largely obtained, to call forth and to aid young men in preparing for this sacred work. Facts abundantly prove that such efforts are necessary; and there are many encouraging tokens that the next six years—perhaps the next three years—will show a marked advance in this particular.

We leave this topic with a single question. It has been mentioned that during the past three years, forty-three thousand persons have ratified their Baptismal vows in Confirmation. How many of these might be reasonably expected to respond to the call for laborers in the ministry, "Here am I Lord, *send me?*"

The number of adult Baptisms is so much greater than in former years, as to be worthy of especial notice. While every Pastor must count it one of his most delightful duties to receive, in the name of Christ, the little ones whom parental faith and piety may present to Him in this Holy Sacrament, it is surely a cause for rejoicing that so many come in adult years to seek admission to His visible Church through this appointed door of entrance. Faithful, valiant soldiers of Christ, are surely needed in the Church, to do

battle against the world, the flesh, the devil. Supposing those baptized as adults to have been amongst the number confirmed during these three years, they will be seen to have amounted to about *one-third* of that number. Though in one aspect so pleasing, this is, in another view, a sad testimony to the neglect of Infant Baptism so frequent in this Christian land.

This House has seen and known, during this session, many gratifying demonstrations of the progress of the Church in other particulars. The two new Dioceses, Kansas and Minnesota, both formed in regions which, a few years ago, were the abode of the Savage, are forerunners, we doubt not, of many other like accessions from the country lying between the Great River of the West and the slopes of the Rocky Mountains.

The Consecrations of the Bishops of Texas, New Jersey, and Minnesota, and the Assistant Bishop of Ohio, made the 13th inst. a memorable day in the History of the Church; and the deep feeling then called forth was still further deepened by the delightful spirit of unanimity in both Houses that characterized the steps pertaining to the election of those two beloved brethren, the Rev. Dr. Clark and the Rev. Dr. Lay, to the arduous and responsible office of Missionary Bishops in the ecclesiastically unorganized territories of the far West.

No words of the Committee are called for to deepen the convictions of those who have composed this Convention, that the Church has, in these solemnities and these enterprises, set up way-marks of *progress* that shall be looked back upon with affectionate interest by generations to come.

But your Committee is constrained to close this Report, referring the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops, with the whole Church, to the Reports from the several Dioceses, and the accompanying Tables, as they shall appear in the Journal. The work before the Church, the work at home, and the work abroad, grows in importance and in promise, year by year. With forty Bishops, with more than two thousand Clergymen, with one hundred and forty thousand Communicants, the Protestant Episcopal Church of these United States ought, under God, to be aiming at and achieving great things. What is most of all desirable is a still larger measure of true piety in the

Church; a piety formed by an abundant effusion of the Holy Ghost; a piety showing itself in deeds as well as by words; giving life and energy to the hallowed, and venerable, and *precious* forms which have been her heritage from the days of old; a piety which shall make those who have looked upon her with doubt and suspicion and distrust, acknowledge her as the very Spouse of Christ, the Temple of the Holy Ghost; a piety which shall adorn the *homes* of our people as well as their sanctuaries; which shall write "Holiness unto the Lord" on their substance and on their persons; which shall clothe them, in the sight of God and of men, with all the graces and fruits of the Spirit. Every member, as well as every Minister of the Church, should recognize his own personal obligation to do all in his power for the Master and Saviour whom he therein serves. So only can the State of the Church be such as that Master and Saviour, in His omniscience, will approve and will delight to own and to bless.

The Committee propose the adoption of the customary resolution:

Resolved:—That the view of the Church herewith presented be transmitted to the House of Bishops, soliciting their prayers and blessings, and requesting that they will draw up and cause to be published a Pastoral letter to the Members of the Church.

In behalf of the Committee,

M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE,
Chairman.

R. B. CLAXTON,
Secretary.

MAINE.

There are cannonically resident in the Diocese of Maine eighteen clergymen; namely, one Bishop, sixteen Presbyters, and one Deacon.

Since the last General Convention, five have been ordained Presbyters, and three have been admitted to the order of Deacons.

Four have been enrolled as Candidates for orders, and the present number of Candidates is three.

Three new Parishes have been organized, and the present number is eighteen, one of which is not yet in union with the Diocesan Convention.

Three churches have been consecrated, St. Steven's Church in Portland, St. Philip's Church in Wiscasset, and Christ Church in Eastport.

The Parochial Statistics show that seven hundred and sixty-nine infants, and two hundred and seventy-three adults, in all one thousand and forty-two, have been baptized; five hundred and fifty-five persons have been confirmed; that seven hundred and forty-two have been added to the body of communicants, making the present number fourteen hundred and forty-two; that the marriages solemnized have been one hundred and eighty; that there have been four hundred and twelve burials; that there are one hundred and ninety-two Sunday-School Teachers, and thirteen hundred and eight scholars.

The following is the Diocesan Financial Report.

Episcopal Fund,.....	$956 00
Diocesan Fund,.....	500 00
Offerings to Diocesan Missions,.....	4859 81
" General Domestic Missions,.....	511 76
" " Foreign "	824 01
" Educational Fund,.....	450 00
" Miscellaneous purposes,.....	9204 27

The Clergy of the Diocese are thoroughly united and earnest in their work in this part of the field. The need of considerable addition to their number is pressing.

Four Parishes are now vacant, and promising stations wait the appointment and labor of Missionaries.

Under the blessing of our Lord, unusually large numbers have been added to the participants in the communion, amounting to more than three-fourths of as many as all reported in 1856.

The liberal offerings of the Parishes to the treasury of Diocesan Missions, and the prudence and zeal of the Bishop and of the Board, having Missions in charge, are means which God has blessed to the increase and prosperity of the Church in the Diocese.

A small sum of money, the legacy of a lady from without the Diocese, placed at the disposal of the Bishop, has enabled him to commence a building-fund, already of profit in the erection of new churches.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maine, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. George Burgess, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	2	2		4
Present number, 3.				
Deacons ordained on three examinations,	2	1		3
" Received,	1			1
" Transferred,	1		1	2
Number canonically resident,				1
Presbyters ordained,	2	2	1	5
" Received,	1	1	1	3
" Instituted,		1		1
" Transferred,	5		2	7
Number canonically resident,				16
Totals:—Ordained,	4	3	1	8
" Received,	2	1	1	4
" Instituted,		1		
" Transferred,	6		3	9
Number canonically resident,				17

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes:—Organized,	2	1		3
New Parishes admitted,	1	1		2
Consecrations,	2		1	3
Church Accommodations. Edifices, 17; Sittings, 6700.				
Number of Parishes in union, 17.				
Parochial Statistics. Confirmations,	107	283	165	555
Baptisms. Infants,	218	292	259	769
Baptisms. Adults,	57	139	77	273
Marriages,	81	37	62	180
Burials,	127	136	149	412

Communicants: Added, 742; Gone, 311; Present number, 1442; Net increase, 431.—Sunday-Schools: Schools, 17; Teachers, 192; Scholars, 1308.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,				$956 00
Annual Income,	$208 32	$213 78	$218 64	640 74
Diocesan Fund.—Capital,				500 00
Annual Income,			30 00	30 00
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	1472 73	1697 31	1689 77	4859 81
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	167 53	196 82	147 41	511 76
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	270 07	206 09	347 85	824 01

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Educational Fund.—Annual Income.....	$150 00	$150 00	$150 00	$450 00
Miscellaneous and Special. —Annual Income,.....	2725 16	3000 00	3479 11	9204 27
Total Capitals,.....				1456 00
" Income for the 3 years, ...				16,520 59

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Within the period since the meeting of the last General Convention, a new impulse has been given to the Missionary work in the Diocese of New Hampshire. The results which have already been attained may not seem large in themselves; but they are so, as indications of the awakening of dormant zeal, and the sure harbingers of better things to come. They are most important also in their influence upon the courage and hope of the Church, inspiring us with the conviction that, with well-directed effort, far more can be accomplished to build up our beloved Church in fields which have hitherto been abandoned to the undisturbed possession of "false doctrine, heresy, and schism." Soon after the meeting of the last General Convention, services were commenced by the direction of our Diocesan Missionary Board, at Nashua, a city of about eight thousand inhabitants. In consequence of the failure of a previous attempt, feeble hopes of success were entertained. Yet God smiled upon the effort. A good congregation was soon gathered, and a Missionary secured, and by the liberality of one of our clergy, joined to the exertions of the people of the parish, the means were provided for his support. All the enterprise needs now, to give it permanence and stability, is a church building, and this, it is hoped, will ere long be secured. A parish has also been organized and admitted into union with the Convention, in the village of Keene. It has called a Rector, and is already self-supporting. Initiatory services have been held in several other places, with good prospect of success. Two of the parishes, viz.; St. Paul's, Concord, and St. Mark's, Holderness, are engaged in building churches. A chapel has been erected by the founder of St. Paul's School, Concord, which was consecrated in January last; and where, not merely the spiritual nature of the school is provided for, but efficient Missionary work

is done among the destitute population of the neighborhood.

These are signs of life for which we desire to be thankful to the Great Head of the Church. We have no disposition to glory in the past. We have too deep a sense of our shortcomings. But we believe there is a spirit aroused to make greater efforts, which, if God be with us, augurs well for the future prosperity of the Church.

ISAAC G. HUBBARD.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New Hampshire, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Carlton Chase, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Clergy Ordained:—Deacon ordained on three examinations,	1			1
Presbyter ordained,		1		1
Clergy Received:—Presbyters,		2	1	3
Clergy Transferred:—Deacon ordained on three examinations,		1		1
Number canonically resident,				14

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS,

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Parishes:—Organized,	1			1
New parishes admitted,	1			1
Corner-stones laid,		1	1	2
Consecrations,			1	1
Church accommodations:—Edifices, 14; Parsonages, 2; Number of Parishes in union, 14.				
Parochial Statistics:—Confirmations,	58	97	77	232
Baptisms. Infants,	65	146	75	286
Baptisms. Adults,	14	47	31	92
Marriages,	30	27	14	71
Burials,	47	45	49	141
Communicants. Added,	65	73	75	213
Communicants. Gone,	45	54	41	140
Net increase,				173
Present number,				726
Sunday Schools:—Schools,	7	6	6	19
Teachers,	47	54	59	59
Scholars,	369	453	482	482

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.

St. Paul's School, Concord, for Boys.—Rev. H. A. Coit, Rector.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	$112 39	$123 25	$416 62	$652 26
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	147 28	109 73	183 57	440 58
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	125 00	153 79	127 75	406 54
Unspecified Annual Income,	854 32	968 16	1131 30	2954 08
Total Income for the 3 years,				4453 46

VERMONT.

By referring to the statement of statistics, herewith presented, it will be seen that the Church in this Diocese is steadily advancing. The increased number of communicants and attendants upon our services, where regularly maintained, presents grounds of great encouragement.

The size and position of our Diocese will not warrant the same results of labor as are found in some other portions of the country.

Without any very large and populous towns, and being entirely inland, we are to look for the growth of the Church among an almost entirely agricultural people.

In such a community it cannot be expected that our progress will be as rapid as in Dioceses embracing places of more concentrated population. Yet it will be seen by the annexed tabular view, that, while there is still much land to be possessed, we have not been inactive or stationary. The growth of the Church in the Diocese of Vermont is very apparent and encouraging.

The number of Confirmations during the past year exceeds that of any former year. The people of the Diocese, though not yet generally acquainted with the distinctive peculiarities of the Church, are ready to hear and examine with favor, when these principles are brought to their consideration.

This spirit of inquiry is leading to very favorable results.

The Vermont Episcopal Institute, from which we hope for much good to the Diocese, has not yet gone into operation. The buildings are nearly completed, and though without endowment, except in one profesorship of ten thousand dollars it has no debt. It is expected to be ready for

occupancy by Easter next. The liberality of friends at home and abroad toward this object, has been truly generous.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. John H. Hopkins, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Lay Readers licensed,..... Present number, 16.	4	5	7	16
Candidates for Orders admitted, ... Present number, 3.	2	3	2	7
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....	1	2	3	6
Presbyters " " "		2	3	5
Total " " "	1	4	6	11
Presbyters Received,.....	1	2	3	6
Transferred,.....		1	2	3
Canonically resident,.....				25
Total " "				27

REPORT OF PARISHES AND PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes:—Organized,.....		1	2	3
New, admitted,.....		1	2	3
Consecrations,.....		1		1
Church Accommodations:—Edifices, 31; Sittings, 4000; Parsonages, 5; Number of Parishes in union, 38.				
Parochial Statistics:—Confirmations,.....	165	122	282	569
Baptisms. Infants,.....	129	156	128	413
Baptisms. Adults,.....	65	76	102	243
Marriages,.....	70	49	57	176
Burials,.....	94	119	114	327
Communicants. Added,.....				616
Communicants. Gone,.....				314
Net increase.....				302
Present number,.....				1998
Sunday-Schools, 35; Teachers, ; Scholars, 1331.				

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

Diocesan Missions, three years,.....	$667 00
General Domestic Missions, three years,.....	692 95
General Foreign Missions, three years,.....	705 07
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, three years,.....	201 00
Miscellaneous and Special, three years,.....	4461 90
Theological Institute, three years,.....	15000 00
Total,.....	$21,727 92

MASSACHUSETTS.

The statistics of this Diocese since the last General Convention present, for the most part, a very cheering picture.

The Church in Massachusetts has outlived at length much of early prejudice, and, by her stability amid the changes going on around her, as the conservator of Truth and the nursery of Piety has commended herself to general favor. The accessions to her fold from other Christian bodies increase year by year. The flow to her Communion has never been rapid; but as the strong bonds are loosening of denominational existence on the part of the once dominant and influential sect, numbers of its thoughtful members find their home with us.

The acknowledged excellence of the numerous agencies in Massachusetts for the relief of want, which have become endeared to the people by their long continuance and useful service, has barred the way to the establishment, by our Church, of many similar institutions under her peculiar care. But while, in the direction of these general charities, the Churchmen of the Diocese are not without their influence, they have begun in some places to lay the foundations of their own proper work.

Among the organizations for Christian benevolence may be named the excellent "Church Home for Orphans," which went into operation toward the close of the year 1855; "St. Stephen's House," first opened in Boston in 1847, which, under the charge of its faithful and unwearied almoner, daily dispenses its bounty to the suffering poor: while St. Stephen's Chapel—the pious erection of one of Massachusetts' noblest sons — as constantly calls, without money or price, to the Gospel feast for the soul. The Societies for the "Relief of the Aged and Indigent Clergy," and for the "Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen," should be added to this list, not to enumerate others of a much humbler range.

In 1856 the "Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society," so called from the lady whose name it bears, was organized in Boston. The occasion of its formation was a wish expressed by the late Miss Coffin, who had been active during

life in the gratuitous distribution of copies of the Liturgy; and who left, in the form of a private memorandum, among her private papers, a request that the remainder of her Prayer Books on hand might be dispensed by her friends, to whose discretion she deferred to collect further funds, and to form, on the basis of a small bequest for the purpose, a Prayer Book Society. The carrying out of this suggestion, independently of any considerable endowment, has resulted in the establishment of a most useful agency.

At the last Convention of the Diocese, its Board of Missions was reconstructed upon the following plan. The three Missionary Districts into which the Diocese is divided were empowered to elect three representatives each, who, together with the Bishop and a body of laymen, should have the charge of Diocesan Missions. Each Parish contributing fifty dollars and more, is entitled to a lay representative in the Board. The experiment as yet is hardly under way, but it is hoped that new vigor and life will be imparted by uniting the central organ with the District Associations, which have proved, under God, most effective instruments in extending our Church's borders.

It only remains to be added, that five of the Clergy of the Diocese have been withdrawn by death from their earthly toil; among whom the venerable and beloved Dr. Asa Eaton is also numbered. The fathers in the Ministry, who have linked us to the distant past, are rapidly entering into their rest, and their works do follow them.

TABULAR VIEW.

	1856		1859
Clergy	77		81
Deacons ordained,	9		7
Priests "	6		12
Candidates for Holy Orders	9		9
Parishes,	63		71
Infant Baptisms, 2504		3711	
Adult " 286		559	
Total,	2790		4270
Confirmed,	960		2147
Communicants,	6027		7780
Sunday-School children,	4350		5721
Marriages,	1053		1185
Burials,	1728		2181
Contributions,	$114,268 87		$183,805 46

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Manton Eastburn, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	9	7	9	25
Present number of Candidates, 9.				
Clergy Ordained.				
Deacons ordained on three examinations,	3	3	1	7
Presbyters,	4	3	5	12
Clergy Received.—Presbyters,	1	1	3	5
Transferred.—Deacons, ordained on three examinations	1			1
Presbyters,	3	2	4	9
Deceased.—Presbyters,	2	2	1	5
Number canonically resident,	78	77	77	81

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes—Organized,	1	3	4	8
New Parishes admitted,		4	2	6
Corner-stones laid,	1	2	2	5
Consecrations,	1		2	3

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 64; Sittings, about 35,000; Parsonages, 9.

Number of Parishes in union, 63.

Not in union, 1.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	457	777	929	2163
Baptisms, Infants,	1186	1461	1064	3711
Adults,	112	246	201	559
Marriages,	387	467	331	1185
Burials,	679	881	621	2181

Communicants (for the three years).—Added, 2480; gone, 1410; net increase, 1070.

Present number of Communicants, 7780.

Sunday-Schools—Schools, 69; Scholars, 5721.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital, $16,653.				
Annual Income,	$1148	$1053	$1182	$3,383
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,	422	482	452	1,356
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	3003	3564	3300	9,767
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	1476	1374	1187	4,037

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
General Foreign Missions.— Annual Income,.....	$1311	$3436	$2004	$6,751
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Annual Income,..	126			126
Widows and Orphans of Clergy Fund. — Capital, $14,568 53. Annual Income,.....	2020	2300	2646	6,966
Miscellaneous and Special.— Capital, $64,800. Annual Income,.....	5236	5011	3820	14,067
Unspecified. — Annual Income,.....	674	1290	1338	3,302
Total Capitals, $96,021.53.				
Total Income for the three years,.....				$49,755

RHODE ISLAND.

The Tabular Digest accompanying this Report, and intended to be a part of it, will give a sufficient account of the Statistics of this Diocese for the last three years. As an introduction to this, a few additional remarks and facts will comprise all that may be presumed to be of interest to the Church at large.

In a part of our country where the population increases but little, owing to the drain of constant and frequent emigration, the growth of the Church in this Diocese must of necessity be slower than in those new Dioceses which are rapidly filling up by immigration. Still we are permitted to witness, from year to year, tokens of increasing life and healthful growth. The Missionary efforts within the Diocese, under the direction of our Convocation, have been continued with their accustomed zeal and good effect.

In his address to our last Convention, the Bishop thus speaks:

"In the general review of our Diocese, it would appear that we are making quiet and steady advance. Unbroken harmony continues to prevail throughout our borders. The unity of the Spirit is kept in the bond of peace. There is among us no disposition to narrow the comprehensive limits so wisely established in our Communion, and no tendency to get beyond those limits, on the right hand or on the left."

The amount given for Missionary and charitable purposes is very imperfectly stated in the Tabular Digest; very much is so given among us, which never passes through any of our Diocesan channels. As an instance, one of our Churches, it is believed, now supports three Missionaries — one Domestic, and two Foreign. In the address already referred to, our Bishop says: "I am happy to state that, in the city of Providence, more than fifty thousand dollars have recently been raised for Church objects; and we hope, in the course of another year, that a free Church will be erected in the north part of the city, a new Church for the Parish of St. Stephen, and Grace Church be completed according to the original plan."

Reference is here made to these signs of vitality, health, and growth, only to ascribe all the glory to God; while we confess that we have done less than was our duty, and that we need greater measures of the Holy Spirit, that the work of Christ and his Church may be still more effectually done in all parts of our Diocese.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Thomas March Clark, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers Licensed,	4	3	5	12
Present number "				7
Candidates for Orders admitted,	4	3	5	12
Present number of Candidates,				7
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons, Ordained on one examination,			1	1
Deacons, ordained on three examinations,	3	2	1	6
Presbyters,	2	1		3
Clergy Received.—Deacons, Ordained on three examinations,	1			1
Presbyters,	1	3	2	6
Clergy Transferred.—Deacons, Ordained on three examinations,	2	1		3
Presbyters,	2	3	4	9
Number Canonically Resident,				31

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,.....			1	1
New Parish admitted,.....			1	1
Consecrations,.....	3	1	1	5

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 30; Sittings, 11,600; Parsonages, 6.

Number of Parishes.—In Union, 25; not in Union, 5.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....	198	469	232	899
Baptisms—Infants,.....	267	313	313	893
Adults,.....	83	216	121	420
Marriages,.....	153	136	136	425
Burials,.....	228	311	233	772

Communicants:—Added, 968; gone, 375; present number, 3142.

Sunday-Schools:—Schools, 23; Teachers, 352; Scholars, 2665.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Assessments for Bishop's Salary.—Annual Income,....	$660 15	$488	$1011	$2,159 15
Assessments for Diocesan Expenses.—Annual Income,.	150	176	176	502
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	1472	1291	1337	4,100
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,.....	1051	727	1217	2,995
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....	2315	650	2741	5,706
Aged and Infirm Clergy, and Widows' and Orphans' Fund.—Capital, $4667. Annual Income,.....	451	563	712	1,726
Miscellaneous and Special.—Annual Income,.....	5235	9826	6008	21,069

Total Capitals, $4,667.

Total Income for the three years,.....$38,257 15

CONNECTICUT.

A comparison of the Statistics of this year with those presented to the General Convention three years ago, gives proof of such a measure of progress as, in view of the limited territory of the Diocese and the almost stationary character of its population, may justly be regarded as decidedly creditable and encouraging. It is specially gratifying to notice that the increase is most conspicuous in the number of those confirmed and admitted to Communion, and

in the amount of pecuniary contributions, as they are most indicative of the blessed work of the Spirit in making men new creatures, and inducing them to consecrate their gain to the Lord. This good work has never gone on more prosperously, under the quiet, patient labors of an earnest and faithful Ministry, than during the three years last past. That period of time has furnished almost no events of moment, few contributions to the outward history of the Diocese; but no other has been more distinctly marked with tokens of prosperity and healthful growth. Perhaps the most promising signs, in addition to those already mentioned, are an increased supply of Ministers and greater stability of the pastoral relation. Scarcely a Parish in its borders is destitute of a Minister; and the relation of pastor and people seems to be becoming more sacred in the eyes of both parties, and less liable to be dissolved for trifling causes.

With a wise and efficient oversight, an intelligent and industrious Ministry, and great harmony of feeling and action, the Diocese of Connecticut has much reason to view the past with gratitude, the present with satisfaction, and the future with hope.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. T. C. Brownell, D.D., LL.D., Bishop
Right Rev. J. Williams, D.D., Assistant Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,.....	7	13	9	29
Present number candidates,.....				23
Clergy Ordained:—Deacons ordained on one examination,.....	2			2
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....	9	9	8	26
Presbyters,.....	10	3	15	28
Totals,.....	21	12	23	56
Received:—Deacons ordained on one examination,.....		1		1
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....	2		3	5
Presbyters,.....	4	3	4	11
Totals,.....	6	4	7	17
Instituted:—Presbyters,.....	1	1		2

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	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Clergy Transferred:—Deacons ordained on three examinations,	2	1	1	4
Presbyters,	9	10	11	30
Totals,	11	11	12	34
Deceased:—Deacons ordained on three examinations,	1			1
Presbyters,	2	2	1	5
Totals,	3	2	1	6
Number canonically resident,				131

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,	2	3		5
New parishes admitted,	2	3		5
Corner-stones laid,	1	1	3	5
Consecrations,	2	3	2	7
Church accommodations.—Edifices, 113; Number of Parishes in union, 118. Remarks—Seven churches reopened after enlargements, etc.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	770	1125	1029	2924
Baptisms. Infants,	997	1141	1123	3261
Baptisms. Adults,	236	367	360	963
Marriages,	316	419	460	1195
Burials,	977	943	972	2892
Communicants.—Added, 3702; Gone, 2145; Net increase, 1557; Present Number, 11,575.—Sunday-Schools: Teachers, 1229; Scholars, 7577.				

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.—COLLEGIATE THEOLOGICAL, AND PAROCHIAL.

Trinity College, Hartford; Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown; Episcopal Academy, Cheshire; Private Schools at Hamden, Brookfield, Danbury, Winsted, Windham, under the charge of clergymen.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Total.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,				$27,000 00
Annual Income,	$3878 57	$3514 50	$3512 48	10,905 55
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,	385 57	734 37	423 44	1543 18
Diocesan Missions:—				
Christian Knowledge Society.—Capital,				1100 00
Annual Income,	3825 96	3516 00	4074 39	11416 35
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	3605 08	2776 41	2331 64	8201 78
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	2222 03	2276 14	2331 64	6829 81
Educational Fund. Church Scholarship Society.—Annual Income,	596 50	708 73	744 61	2048 84

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Aged and Infirm Clergy and Widow and Orphans' Fund.—Annual Income,.	$613 85	$573 24	$749 38	$1936 47
Total Income for the three years,.....				$264,964 47

NEW YORK.

By the mercy of God the Church has been prosperous in this Diocese within the last three years. The rite of Confirmation has been administered by the Provisional Bishop on nearly five hundred occasions since the last General Convention. Through the Divine blessing upon the energy and zeal of the Clergy, there have been presented for Confirmation, as will appear from the Statistics below, nearly three thousand persons more than were reported for the same time to the last General Convention. By the enlargement of some Churches, and the erection of others, accommodation for worshippers has been considerably extended in many places; and in our large cities, especially in New York, particular regard has, by the supply of Mission Chapels and otherwise, been bestowed upon the poor. Institutions of various kinds, established for their relief, have been opened and sustained with prospect of permanent and increasing good.

St. Luke's Hospital, of which the foundation was reported three years ago, and of which the cost of building and furniture, exclusive of land, has been about two hundred and ten thousand dollars, entered soon after on its active career with immediate prosperity. It has now forty-five charity beds, and about sixty patients, of all religious classes who will receive its pastoral care. With the Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg as its Resident Pastor, the daily reading of the Scriptures and prayers in its Wards, its Chapel communicating with them, and service on the Lord's Day, it is a Christian Hospital, and, as such, commands the confidence of all Churchmen among us.

By the munificence of John Bard, Esq., a Training School, preparatory of candidates for the General Theological Seminary, has been lately established at Anandale, in Duchess County. For this important purpose, land and buildings, to the value of at least sixty thousand dollars, have been transferred by the liberal donor to a Board of

Trustees, as the rightful property of the Diocese. The Training School is already begun under the care of a Presbyter of the Diocese.

Trinity School, New York, now in the one hundred and fiftieth year of its existence, affords the highest grade of thorough Christian education to the most needy applicants, as well as to others; and, with its gifts of books and stipends to its beneficiaries, is continuing to do a good and lasting work among the young.

The Orphans' Home in New York, sustained as yet by annual charities, is filled with inmates to its utmost capacity.

In the city of Brooklyn, the Church Charity Foundation, composed of the Communicants and the Parochial Clergy of King's County, in order to provide at once a proper home for the Aged and for the Orphan, has begun a spacious Gothic edifice with its Chapel, at a cost of twelve thousand dollars for the ground, and to expend fourteen thousand dollars more in buildings. Meanwhile, it has in charge already thirty Beneficiaries. A Training House for Servants and Nurses forms a part of the complete plan in contemplation.

St. Luke's Home for Indigent and Aged Females, which first began in May, 1852, formally opened its own newly-purchased edifice on the 25th day of May, 1857. It is well situated in the city of New York, and cost thirteen thousand dollars. Its Trustees are chiefly Laymen; and it is in the care of a Board of Ladies, representing most of the city Parishes. It is supported by the contributions of the pious. It gives comfort to about thirty inmates.

In the city of Troy, the Church Asylum is doing similar good among the "aged, sick, infirm, and destitute." It is sustained by annual subscriptions. It has begun an Accumulating Permanent Fund.

The Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, has existed since the year 1769. It is supported by a payment of eight dollars per annum from each contributor; and this entitles his widow and children to certain annuities. For the year ending September 1st, 1857, the number of Contributors was 63; and of Annuitants, 129. For the year ending September 1st, 1858, the Fund amounted to $93,265.15; and the Contributors were

68, the Annuitants 128. For the year ending September 1st, 1859, the Fund amounts to $96,759.47; the Contributors being 75, and the Annuitants 130.

The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, and the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, both depend for their means of operation upon the Diocese of New York, but disperse their publications over the entire country, and especially upon Missionary Territory. Of these Institutions, the former has, since the last General Convention, gratuitously distributed 2286 Bibles, 2079 Testaments, 33,632 Prayer Books, and 201 Psalms and Hymns. The latter has within the same time, given away 3,210,636 pages of its Tracts. Large sales at low rates are not included in this statement.

The Missions under the authority of the Convention of the Diocese, are sustained at 73 Stations within its borders, having 61 Missionaries at their posts. More Stations and more Clergymen are needed for this work.

The Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund of this Diocese has increased its invested capital, since 1856, from $23,500 to $33,752. This has been done chiefly by collections in Churches. It also sustains 12 Clergymen by appropriations delicately placed in their hands.

The Society for Promoting Religion and Learning is accredited by the Convention as its Education Committee. Though receiving but a small amount in contribution from the Parishes, it has supported in whole or in part, during the past year, 50 Candidates in the General Theological Seminary, 14 in different Colleges, 12 in Schools, or under private ministerial instruction—76 Candidates and Students in all, at an expenditure of $8669.75; besides the gift of $430 for text-books to Candidates in the Seminary; $500 loan, without interest, to the graduating class for the purchase of books; and $400 for aiding necessitous Students by the hands of the Provisional Bishop—making in all $9999.75. During each of the two previous years, it sustained in this manner 54 Students, and made similar grants in proportion.

The Episcopal Fund of this Diocese remains in two parts, the Disposable and the Accumulating. The Disposable, invested in Bonds and Mortgages, and in State Stocks, amounts to $67,500. The Accumulating, besides cash on hand, has in Bonds and Mortgages $17,500. The Episcopal Residence, owned by the Diocese in the city of New York,

has, on account of its location, been rented by the Trustees. In order to meet a deficiency in the support of the present Episcopate, an apportionment of the sum required is made among the Parishes by a Committee annually appointed by the Convention for the purpose. To this object, during the last three years, there have been given $16,364.35. Meanwhile, the Accumulating Fund has been increased from $15,076 to $19,289.61.

For General Missions, in care of the Board appointed by the General Convention, this Diocese has, since September, 1856, given to the Domestic Committee $49,735.46, and to the Foreign Committee, $57,949.75.

Many contributions to the enterprises of the Church in various parts of the land are made from this Diocese, but never reported to its Convention. In this respect, no fair account of its work can be attempted.

In other respects, the condition of the Diocese may further be seen in the following

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Number of Churches and Chapels entitled to representation in the Diocese,	263
Not in union with the Convention,	18
Total,	281
Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, September 28, 1859,	332
Candidates for Orders:—	
For Deacons' and Priests' Orders, who have passed the Literary examination, Canon V. § 3, Gen. Con. 1856,	42
For Deacons' Orders, who have passed no Literary examination,	13
Total,	55
New Parishes admitted into union with the Convention:	
1856–57,	2
1857–58,	3
1858–59,	4
Total,	9
Clergymen received into the Diocese:	
1856–57,	23
1857–58,	25
1858–59,	23
Total,	71
Clergymen instituted:	
1856–57,	3
1857–58,	2
1858–59,	4
Total,	9
Clergymen transferred to other Dioceses:	
1856–57,	21
1857–58,	27
1858–59,	21
Total,	69
Clergymen deceased:	
1856–57,	2
1857–58,	3
1858–59,	3
Total,	8

Churches and Chapels consecrated:		Corner-stones laid:	
1856–57,	5	1856–57,	4
1857–58,	5	1857–58,	3
1858–59,	7	1858–59,	6
Total,	17	Total,	13

ORDINATIONS:

	With full qualifications, 3 examinat'a.	Without full qualifications, 1 examination.		Totals.
1856–57, Deacons,	11	3	Priests, 2	Total, 16
1857–58, "	12	3	" 10	" 25
1858–59, "	10	3	" 8	" 21
Totals,	33	9	20	62

CONFIRMED:

1856–57,	2216
1857–58,	3897
1858–59,	2656
Total,	8769

There are about sixty or seventy Churches and Chapels, from which no Parochial Reports have been received in this Diocese since the last General Convention. An approximation, therefore, only can be made towards the true sum of Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, Communicants, and Contributions. The following account is hence much less than the entire sum for the last three Conventional years:

BAPTISMS:

	Adults.	Infants.	Totals.
1856–57,	621	4898	5519
1857–58,	921	5187	6108
1858–59,	731	4976	5707
Totals,	2,273	15 061	17,334

	1856–57	1857–58	1858–59	Totals.
Marriages,	1495	1452	1569	4516
Burials,	2313	2472	2342	7127
Communicants admitted,	1834	2405	2018	6257
Present number,				24,491
Catechumens and Sunday scholars,				24,268
Catechists and Sunday-School Teachers,				2450

CONTRIBUTIONS:

(So far as reported to the Convention for the last three years.)

	1856-57	1857-58	1858-59	Total.
Education Fund,.....	$601 46	$495 65	$528 59	$1625 70
Diocesan Fund,.....	2020 65	2166 48	2271 16	6458 29
Missionary Fund of the Diocese,.....	7352 81	6486 92	6838 29	20,678 02
(For the Episcopal Fund see above.)				
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund,.....	4727 55	3885 20	4991 34	13,604 09
Total (as derived from Parochial Reports),	338,614 03	294,788 44	433,185 67	1,066,588 14

WESTERN NEW YORK.

Since the last General Convention (1856), 24 new Candidates for Holy Orders have been admitted; 1 Candidate has been transferred to another Diocese; 1 Candidate has died; 12 Candidates have been ordained Deacons; the present number of Candidates is 21; 11 Deacons have been ordained Priests; 5 Churches have been consecrated; 10 new Congregations have been organized and admitted into union with the Convention; 5 new Churches have been erected, and await consecration; 56 Parsonages are provided for the Parishes; 1 Rector has been instituted; 6 Clergymen have died; 1 Clergyman has been deposed; 36 Clergymen have been received into the Diocese; 25 Clergymen have been transferred to other Dioceses.

The average number of Missionaries annually employed has been 60. The present number is 48.

The Diocese consists at present of the Bishop, 125 Presbyters; 10 Deacons; 20 Candidates for Holy Orders; 156 organized Congregations (several of which are reduced by fluctuations and removals to a mere nominal existence), with 130 Church edifices, of which 8 Churches are in use awaiting Consecration on removal of debt; 7 Church edifices are in progress of erection, 2 of which are to replace old buildings.

The Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen has afforded aid to 12 Clergymen, to the amount, in three years, of $3475. The whole sum collected, in the past three years, is $4709. A small fund, the result of such collections beyond the annual appropriations, exists, amounting to $5000.

For Educational purposes, the Diocese has Hobart College, with about one hundred Students, under a President and three Professors, and two Tutors; the Caryville Collegiate Seminary, several private Seminaries, and a few Parochial Schools. Funds are being collected for the establishment of a Training School for Candidates for Orders, the Senior Department of which will, under God, commence at an early day.

The system of Monthly Collections and Donations in all the Churches, for Church objects, still commands the confidence of the Diocese, and has but once, since it began, failed to meet the quarterly drafts of the Missionaries and Beneficiaries. Its annual supply for Diocesan Missions averages $5000. The whole amount received for Church objects, aside from Parish objects, for the last three years, is $41,860. The Episcopal Fund is reported to be $50,000, under the management of five incorporated Trustees, and invested mostly in bonds and mortgages.

The De Veaux College for Orphan and Destitute Children is endowed with $162,520, and saleable lands worth $25,111, aside from the Permanent Domain of three hundred and forty acres, which cannot be sold. The Bishop and Standing Committee each receive, in January of each year, a statement of the funds and condition of the College, which was opened successfully in May, 1857, and has now thirty-two pupils, clothed, fed and educated under a President and two Professors, with a Matron and other officers.

Since the last Convention there have been:

Baptisms (Adults, 1209, Infants, 4038),	5247
Confirmed,	2063
Burials,	2222
Marriages,	1295
Present number of Communicants,	10,834
" " Sunday-School Teachers,	1221
" " Sunday Scholars,	8773

The Bishop of the Diocese has been absent from the country for recreation, at the desire and expense of the Convention. This absence explains the diminished number of persons confirmed. While abroad, he had the satisfaction of uniting in the Consecration of an English Colonial Bishop with the Archbishop of Canterbury, and of a Scot-

tish Bishop with the Primate of the Scottish Episcopal Church, and of thus interlinking our Branch of the Church with that of England and that of Scotland, to both of which we are so deeply indebted.

The Diocese continues to enjoy harmony and unity among the Clergy and Laity, in their labors for the good of the Church and the salvation of men.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Wm. Heathcote De Lancey, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS, BEGINNING AUG. 1, 1856, AND ENDING AUG. 1, 1859.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	7	11	4	22
Present number, 19.				
Deacons ordained on one examination,		2	1	3
" ordained on three examinations,	1	5	4	10
" Received,		1		1
" Transferred,		1		1
" Deceased,	1			1
Presbyters ordained,	2	3	5	10
" Received,	11	12	9	32
" Instituted,	1			1
" Transferred,	8	12	6	26
" Deceased,	2	2		4
" Deposed,			1	1

Number canonically resident:—Deacons ordained on one examination, 3; on three examinations, 8; Presbyters, 126—total, 137.

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes:—Organized,	3	2	4	9
New Parishes admitted,	3	2	3	8
Corner-stones laid,				4
Consecrations,	2	1	2	5

Church Accommodations: Edifices, 130; Parsonages, 55.

Number of Parishes in union, 146. Not in union, 4.

		1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.	Confirmations,	507	1503	53	2063
Baptisms.	Infants,	1337	1431	1270	4038
	Adults,	355	591	263	1209
Marriages,		478	419	398	1295
Burials,		770	723	729	2222

Communicants: Added, 8337; Gone, 1940; Present number, 10,834; Net increase, 1608.*

Sunday-Schools: Schools, 125; Teachers, 1221; Scholars, 8773.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Hobart Free College, Geneva—Faculty, 6; Students, 95.

De Veaux College, Suspension Bridge—Faculty, 3; Pupils, 32. (Property and income reported below.)

Diocesan Training School. (Not yet in operation.)

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,				$50,008 91
Annual Income,	$3175 92	$3286 23	$3179 76	9641 91
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,	† 895 68	786 70	806 84	2489 22
Diocesan Missions, Capital ‡				13,356 00
—Annual Income,	5573 04	5605 04	5050 00	1,628 08
§ General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	2185 96	1899 77	1016 08	5101 81
§ General Foreign Missions. —Annual Income,	1158 05	1067 95	1016 08	3307 59
Educational Fund, Capital included in that of the Fund for Dioces'n Miss. —Annual Income,	350	512 50	400	1262 50
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Capital,				5000 00
Annual Income,	1850 38	1637 27	1701 49	5189 14
Miscellaneous and Special. —Annual Income,	†275 78	133 37	550 28	959 43
De Veaux College, Capital,				190,631 20
Annual Income,	11000	11944 04	11902 87	34,846 91
‖ Unspecified,	†58,844 35	41274 55	52673 42	152,792 32
Including Parochial objects, aside from current expenses,	56,198 83	38,709 58	48,704 82	143,613 23
Total Capitals,				68,364 91
Including De Veaux Col.,				258,996 11
Total income for 3 years,	74,309 56	56,203 38	66,459 06	196,972 00

* This discrepancy is caused by the fact that the additions, etc., are not fully reported.

† The reports for 1857 are very imperfect.

‡ Including a special fund of $2000 for Missions in Chenango County.

§ Contributions to these Funds to the amount of several thousand dollars, not having been sent through the Diocesan Treasurer, cannot be ascertained. They are estimated under the head "Unspecified."

‖ Under this head are included, contributions to the Protestant Episcopal Sunday-School Union and Church Book Society, $3,319.49; for Bibles and Prayer Books, $1,037.02; for Tracts, $61.59; and sundry other general and Diocesan items.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Total, including De Veaux College,.....	$85,309 56	$68,147 42	$78,361 93	$231,818 91
Add Parochial expenses, averaging $72,000 per annum,.....				216,000 00
Total for 3 years,.....				$447,818,91

[Any discrepancy between the Statistics as given in the above "Digest," and those furnished in the foregoing "Report," is attributable, doubtless, to the fact that the "Report" presents the items as they were at the time of the Meeting of the General Convention in October, whereas the "Tabular Digest" is dated on the 1st of August last.

Sec'y of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.]

NEW JERSEY.

Since the last General Convention, this Diocese has been bereaved by the loss of its beloved Bishop and Head: it having pleased Almighty God to remove from the scene of his earthly labors, the Right Reverend GEORGE WASHINGTON DOANE, D.D., LL.D., after an Episcopate of nearly twenty-seven years. He fell asleep in Jesus on Wednesday, in Easter week, 27th April, 1859. His last words were an epitome of his life:—"I DIE IN THE FAITH OF THE SON OF GOD AND IN THE CONFIDENCE OF HIS ONE CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH. I HAVE NO MERITS—NO MAN HAS—BUT MY TRUST IS IN THE MERCY OF JESUS." To his "remarkable mental and moral characteristics, his untiring, self-sacrificing and intense devotion of himself, soul, body, and spirit, to the cause to which he consecrated his life, and his eminence as a poet, an orator, and a divine, which identified his name with the history of the Church and country, and highly distinguished the State of his birth," his flock and the whole Church have borne the strongest testimony. During his brief Episcopate, the number of the clergy in the Diocese increased from *eighteen* to *ninety-eight*, and the communicants from six hundred and forty-seven to more than five thousand.

At the late Diocesan Convention, exactly one month after the death of Bishop Doane, the Reverend WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D., was duly elected his successor. He now awaits the confirmation of his election by the General Convention, and his Consecration to the Episcopate, that he may enter upon the duties of that high and holy Office.

An increased interest has been manifested in the Missions of the Diocese. A quarterly collection is recommended by the Convention to be made in each parish for this object; and the funds thus obtained are appropriated towards the support of the Missionaries by the Bishop and the Standing Committee. Twenty stations are now receiving aid from these collections.

St. Mary's Hall and Burlington College are doing faithfully the work of Christian education. The former, which has sent forth so many churchwomen into every Diocese in the United States, is in a most flourishing condition. The latter greatly needs endowment to enable it to do all that is desired. Together, they number about two hundred and thirty pupils.

The Permanent Episcopal Fund is $13,000. Each parish of the Diocese is called upon to contribute annually 8 *per cent.* upon the salary paid to its clergyman for the increase of this fund and the payment of the Bishop's salary. Efforts, which promise to be successful, are being made to increase the Permanent Fund by a subscription of $50,000.

The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Clergymen, founded in 1769, is year by year exhibiting the wisdom of its founders in the timely aid which it furnishes to the families of deceased clergymen. The amount of its funds is about $30,000. Seven families are at present reaping the benefit of its provisions.

A fund for Disabled and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese is beginning to be gathered by an annual collection in each parish. It now amounts to about $1000.

The Episcopal Society of New Jersey, for the promotion of Christian knowledge and piety, has a fund of $2000.

The Parochial Reports for the last year, in consequence of the vacancy of the Episcopate, were very imperfectly made. This fact has necessarily decreased the aggregate of the Statistics of the Diocese, for the last three years. As far as they can be ascertained, they are as follows:

There are at present one hundred and two Clergymen, (eighty-four Presbyters and eighteen Deacons), and eleven Candidates for Orders. Since the last General Convention, four clergymen have died: the Rev. James Chapman, the Rev. Hamble J. Leacock, the Rev. Stephen Douglass, and the Rev. George Y. Morehouse. Thirty-two clergymen have been received into the Diocese; twenty-three have

been transferred to other Dioceses: twenty-five have been ordained, and twenty-five instituted into the Rectorships of parishes. Five churches have been consecrated.

DIOCESAN STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Baptisms.—Adults,	149	217	259	625
Infants,	1047	1024	793	2864
Total,	1196	1241	1052	3489
Confirmed,	498	572	586	1756
Ordained.—Deacons,	5	3	7	15
Priests,	1	2	5	8
Total,	6	5	12	23
Communicants, about				5000
Marriages,				558
Burials,				1486
Sunday-School Teachers,				504
Children,				4,410
Parish School Teachers,				13
Children,				466
Free churches,				20

OFFERINGS AS FAR AS APPEARS FROM REPORTS FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS.

Episcopal Fund,	$2,451 29
Diocesan Missions,	3,253 86
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	482 14
The Poor,	8,738 40
Foreign Missions,	3,931 67
Domestic Missions,	4,314 60
Parish Purposes,	**72,822 45**
Other Church Purposes,	**38,337 47**
Total Offerings,	**$134,331 88**

During the last three years the Diocese has grown even beyond its former rapid rate of increase. Several of the older parishes have made the seats in their churches free to all, and everywhere the parochial work is more and more faithfully performed.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Church in this Diocese has continued to prosper under the wise and efficient administration of its revered Diocesan. His multiform labors have, however, to the great grief of the Diocese, and indeed of the whole Church, impaired his once robust health. This calamity con-

strained the Bishop, in the spring of 1858, to ask the Diocese to appoint him an Assistant. The choice was happily consummated at the Annual Convention of that year, and the Right Rev. Dr. Bowman has, since the time of his consecration in September, 1858, been pursuing his earnest and very acceptable labors as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese. We yet have hope that our venerable Bishop may be so far restored as to take an active share in the Episcopal administration of the Diocese; and in any event, regard it as a great blessing that he is still spared, by his wise counsels to suggest and supervise the efforts of others.

The increase of the Church in the city of Philadelphia for the past three years, may be inferred from the fact that twelve new parish churches, some of them large and costly structures, have, within that period, been built for the use of newly-formed congregations. The increase in the interior of the Diocese has been less rapid, yet still it is very encouraging. It has been more decided within the last three years, than in any corresponding period of previous time.

At the late Diocesan Convention, a plan was devised for uniting the Missionary operations within the Diocese under one agency. A "Board of Missions," appointed by the Standing Committee, with the Bishop at its head, and responsible to the Convention, is now just entering on the conduct of our Diocesan Missions—the two Societies, which heretofore have done good service in this field—the "Advancement" and the "Diocesan,"—having, in a spirit of generous concession and fraternity, agreed to make over their work and resources to this elected agency of the Convention, that there may be a fair experiment of its comparative efficiency and power.

One of the most interesting enterprises which has distinguished the history of the Church in Pennsylvania of late years, is the establishment of the Hospital of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Philadelphia. It was opened for the reception of the sick and suffering about five years ago, in the old mansion that providentially was standing on the land which a generous daughter of the Church gave for its location. The institution has ten acres of land in a commanding situation, very near to the densely-inhabited portion of our city. It has about $50,000 in the way of endowment, and a subscription of $100,000, in sums of $5000

each, has just been completed towards the erection of a portion of the permanent building. Ever since the house now used for the Charity was opened, it has been filled with those who are thankful to receive the relief which skill and tender care can afford to the suffering body, and the counsel and solace which the minister of Christ can impart to the weary soul.

"The Church Home for Friendless and Orphan Children," in Philadelphia, has, since the last General Convention, been established, and a large and appropriate building for its use erected and paid for. The current expenses of the Institution are met by the annual contributions of the members of the Church in the section of the city where the "Home" is located. There is in the Diocese an increasing attention to the training and nurture of the lambs of Christ's flock. Church schools of various grades are being multiplied, and the living generation are thus taking care that they who come after shall be shown "the praises of the Lord and his strength, and His wonderful works that He hath done."

On the whole, we may say that the Church is advancing in this great Diocese with sure and steady steps, commanding more and more the attention and respect of all people, and entering hopefully upon that great errand of beneficence to all sorts and conditions of men within our boundaries which the Lord has commissioned her to dispense.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. A. Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.
Right Rev. S. Bowman, D.D., Assistant Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers Licensed,	4	7	11	22
Candidates for Orders admitted,	13	17	10	40
Present number of Candidates,				26
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons,	17	12	10	39
Presbyters,	4	9	17	30
Clergy Received,	20	8	13	41
Transferred,	20	7	13	40
Deceased,		3	3	6
Deposed,	1	1		2
Number Canonically Resident,				193

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—New Parishes admitted,.....4	8	13	25
Corner-stones laid,.....8	2	6	16
Consecrations,.....6	3	12	21

Church Accommodations.—Parsonages, 44.

Number of Parishes in union, 184.
Not in union, 17.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations, ...1364	1640	1830	4834
Baptisms, Infants,....3005	3150	2648	8803
Adults,.... 409	551	594	1554
Total, ...			10357
Marriages,..... 955	697	710	2362
Burials,.....1721	1447	1269	4467
Communicants. Added,1852	2001	2235	6088
Gone,. 882	775	1047	2704

Net increase of Communicants, 3,184; Present number, 14,106.—Sunday-Schools: Schools, 175; Teachers, 2,059; Scholars, 19,753.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.—COLLEGIATE, THEOLOGICAL, PAROCHIAL.

Protestant Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia, with Theological Department; St. Mark's School, for Boys, Philadelphia; Yeates' Institute, Lancaster; Kenwood School, for Boys, New Brighton; Locust Grove School, for Girls, near Pittsburg; Eden Hall, for Girls, Paradise; Brooke Hall, for Girls, Media.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital, $51,443.68				
Annual Income,.....	$4731 32	$4531 17	$8815 54	$18,078 03
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	1449 33	1341 39	1398 80	4,189 52
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Capital, $4,003.61.				
Annual Income,.....	1755 30	1476 21	1542 16	4,773 67
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.—Capital, $160,000.				
Unspecified.—Annual Income,.....	$155,646	$120,042	$124,192	$399,880

Total Capitals, $215.447.29.

Total Income for the three years, exclusive of current expenses, contributions for church building, salaries of clergy, etc., $426,921.22.

DELAWARE.

The Church in this Diocese is believed to be advancing with a steady and healthy growth. The church buildings erected during the last three years are substantial and beautiful. An effort has lately been initiated, under favorable prospects of success, for reviving the old church at Dover, wherein Dr. Inglis, afterward Bishop of Nova Scotia, ministered before the Revolution. Since the last Triennial Convention, the Rev. Richard F. Cadle, widely known throughout our Church as one of her oldest missionaries, and justly esteemed for his unwearied devotedness and holiness of life, has been called to his reward. The Diocese has also mourned the loss of an energetic and noble-hearted layman, Alexis I. Du Pont, who was a member of this body at its last Session.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers Licensed,		1		1
Present number,				1
Candidates for Orders admitted,			2	2
Present number of Candidates,				1
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons ordained on one examination,	2		1	3
Deacons ordained on three examinations,	1	1	2	4
Presbyters,		1	3	4
Total,				11
Clergy Received.—Deacons ordained on three examinations,	3		1	4
Presbyters,	2	1	3	6
Total,				10
Clergy Transferred.—Deacon ordained on three examinations,			1	1
Presbyters,	3	2	3	8
Total,				9
Deceased.—Presbyters,		1		1

Number canonically resident:—

Deacons ordained on one examinaation,	1
Deacons ordained on three examinations,	3
Presbyters,	14
Total,	18

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS,

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes:—Organized,.....	1			1
New parishes admitted,.....	1			1
Corner-stones laid,.....	1			1
Consecrations,.....		2	2	4
Church accommodations:—Edifices, 27; Sittings, 7,200; Parsonages, 4; Number of Parishes in union, 25.				
Parochial Statistics:—Confirmations,.....	82	129	124	335
Baptisms. Infants,.....	210	271	343	824
Adults,.....	20	43	56	119
Marriages,.....	54	57	80	191
Burials,.....	115	135	159	409
Communicants.—Added, 512; Gone, 342; Net increase, 179; Present number, 992.—Sunday-Schools: Schools, 23; Teachers, 277; Scholars, 2,181.				

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Annual Income.....	$394 00	$445 44	$424 36	$1263 80
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	460 11	283 44	590 87	1334 42
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,.....	663 39	465 46	536 70	1665 55
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....	597 00	382 80	326 46	1206 26
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Total Income,.....				450 00
Miscellaneous and Special.—Annual Income,.....	19,716 23	26,758 81	20,018 73	66,493 77
Total Income for the 3 years,.....				$78,005 87

MARYLAND.

The Diocese of Maryland, co-terminous with the State of the same name, has an extent in terra firma of not quite nine thousand square miles. The Chesapeake Bay, not counted in this extent, which severs the territory into two widely separated districts known as the Eastern and Western Shores respectively, and its navigable affluents have a development so great that, if the whole area were reduced to a regular shape with parallel sides, no point within it would be at a greater distance than six and a half miles from navigable water. The aggregate length of completed rail-roads within the State does not exceed four hundred

miles; but their directions and locations are such as, with the facilities afforded also by steamboat intercommunication, to permit any parochial point to be reached from Baltimore in a day's journey.

The entire population was ascertained, by the Census of 1850, at five hundred and eighty-three thousand souls; and, at this date, doubtless exceeds six hundred and fifty thousand.

This territory is divided ecclesiastically into eighty-five Parishes, the assignment of the metes and bounds of which, as well as the creation of the corporate and other legal privileges ascribable thereto, are lodged by the law of the land with the Diocesan Convention. The exercise of this quasi-sovereign authority has been hitherto rather unsystematic and mostly *ex re nata*: so that, while some Parishes comprehend three and four hundred square miles, others contain less than five; and while the communicant Church members in some are counted by thousands, in others they are reckoned but by decades. As a partial remedy for this inequality, and especially in reference to the circumstances of residence in cities and towns, a law of the State, dating at about the beginning of the present century, cedes to the Diocesan Convention a power, similar to that already mentioned, of creating, by its own acts, public incorporations called Congregations, which ecclesiastically differ from Parishes only in having no territorial limits. Of such Congregations, there exist at present forty-one; making an aggregate with the Parishes of one hundred and twenty-six ecclesiastical Corporations within the Diocese.

Each of these Corporations has its own Church edifice; and some, for the convenience of their members, have more than one; so that, in the whole Diocese, there are one hundred and seventy-three places of worship. Of these, say sixteen-and-a-half *per cent.* are built with stone; fifty-eight *per cent.* with brick; and twenty-five-and-a-half *per cent.* are wooden. About ten *per cent.* are in worse than tolerable repair.

The capacity of these edifices varies, of course—and, in fact, widely. Thus, some can accommodate fifteen hundred persons; others overflow when only one hundred and fifty are assembled. The indications of the Census of 1850, in this respect, tolerably near in the assignment of the number of buildings, are very much astray in estimating the accommodations

at 60,105 sittings. A Return made to the Diocesan Convention in 1857, from 80 Parishes and Congregations, gave an average of 47 families for each; which, doubtless applicable still, would show the entire accommodations in the 173 since and now existing Houses, as corresponding to 8,131 families. And if we use the factor derived from the Census itself, which states a population of 492,666 souls to be assembled in 87,384 families, or nearly five and five-eighths persons to a family, we have 45,842 as the number at present.

The probability of this number is affirmed by reference to other indications. Thus, the infant baptisms, reported in May, 1859, amounted to 2,265; if we consider the children of one year old and under—which period includes the age at which they are usually baptized—as constituting ordinarily five *per cent.* of the aggregate population of which they form part, we shall have an aggregate of those whose ecclesiastical proclivities are indicated by sending their proportion of children to Baptism, amounting to 45,300. The probabilities derivable from the Returns of Burials and Marriages indicate, it is true, a somewhat higher result; but upon this it is to be considered that many persons resort to the Offices of the Church for burial and marriage from other motives than adhesion to her communion — from fashion, it may be, from convenience, or from necessity. The numbers, therefore, buried or married might be expected to be disproportionate in the statistical elements of population.

Taking, then, the Return of Burials in the Diocese for the last year, viz., 916, and applying to it the factor (one-and-sixty-five-one-hundredths *per cent.*) resulting from the ratio of the aggregate population to the Deaths inscribed in the Census of 1850, we deduce 55,510 as the partial population corresponding; a number transcending, by about eighteen *per cent.* that derivable from the element of Baptisms. So, if from the whole number of Marriages returned for the same year, viz., 572, we discount the number 165, representing that class not requiring a civil license (which discount is necessary in order to bring the question under the domain of the factor derived from the Census, and founded there upon the fiscal returns of the proceeds of sale of licenses), and apply to the remainder the Census factor, namely, three-fourths *per cent.*, we have a result of 54,149

as the partial population: a number still transcending that calculated from the Baptisms, but sufficiently accordant with that indicated by the Burials.

Upon all these results, then, we are warranted in taking 50,000, in round numbers, as representing that portion of the entire population of the Diocese, or probably one-thirteenth as the fair proportion, attached to the Episcopal Church. Such is the population concerned in or contributing to the Lay-movement within the Diocese.

Besides the Churches and Chapels in which this population is from time to time assembled, several Parishes and Congregations—rather more than one-fourth of all—own land, which still bears the old, distinctive name of Glebe; and, varying of course in quantity, in no case exceeds three hundred acres. Since the adoption of a new civil constitution for the State, traditional jealousy of spiritual corporations has expressly restricted any of them (except the Diocesan Convention, which is also an incorporated body under our laws) from holding more than five acres, unbuilt on. This restriction covers, of course, Grave-yards, which are not in fact owned by more than one-twelfth of the whole number. Some of these yards, acquired and owned prior to the restriction in question, double and even triple the limit assigned by it. Rather more than one-third own Parsonages or Rectories; and in a few cases is held real estate, which does not come under any of the preceding descriptions.

Personal estate, in different funds, is owned by rather more than one-twelfth; but probably in no instance exceeding the nominal value of ten thousand dollars. All the Church property of whatever kind was estimated, in the Census already mentioned, at somewhat above six hundred thousand dollars. It may, at this time, be set down at, say, one million.

This sum by no means represents all the expense outlaid upon the acquisition or improvement of existing Church property, but only the visible, tangible relics of the contributions which have been applied to such purposes. Thus, the Church edifices themselves, several of which have respectively cost much more than the tenth part of the sum mentioned, have no market value materially beyond that of the ground on which they stand. And as little does this sum represent a capital producing revenue. On the con-

trary, the revenue drawn from the personal estate just referred to—the only source in the category of productiveness—hardly, if at all, exceeds twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, and is relatively of too little importance to be more than cursorily mentioned.

Using the term revenue, then, not in its strict sense of a fixed annual or otherwise periodical income, it may be said that the Church revenues of the Diocese are derived in two ways: 1st. Rental of pews or sittings in the respective edifices. 2d. Voluntary contributions, either collected at the Church, made after formal subscriptions, or otherwise tendered and paid to the proper officers. Moneys received in the first of these ways are to be considered, universally, as applicable to and expended for parochial purposes. The highest amount is not known to exceed, in any case, six thousand five hundred dollars per annum; and the aggregate sum, thus raised annually in the Parishes and Congregations using this resort, may be set down at fifty thousand dollars.

As to the second of these ways, moneys received when the Holy Communion is celebrated, are, probably to the extent of ninety-five *per cent.*, regarded and disposed of as Alms for the poor; what is collected at the Offertory without Communion (very generally practiced in this Diocese), as well as in all other ways, is applied specifically to some particular object designated, or parochially, or to any destination that circumstances render expedient. This last will, therefore, come properly under the head of Contributions, and will be presently treated in detail.

With regard to the system of Church Sittings, different habits prevail, to about an equal extent, in the Parishes and Congregations. Pew-rents prevail with one-third of the number; pews, owned by occupants but not rented, are preferred by another third; while with the remainder the seats are free. But this equality of proportion does not hold with respect to the seats themselves: it is likely that much more than half of the forty-five thousand are rented.

The salaries of the Clergy vary nearly for every individual case; and the individual amounts descend from four thousand dollars per annum—barely reaching the plural—to zero; which last category covers at least four *per cent.* of the whole number; and, if in it be included cases of admitted uncertainty would exhibit a still higher ratio. The

aggregate amount paid for this item, including an approximate valuation of Parsonage or Glebe in sundry cases, does not fall short of eighty thousand dollars per annum. And the outlay for the other expenses of maintaining Public Worship, including an unfortunate item of interest not infrequent, is at least an equal amount.

These general statements fitly lead to the exhibit of the sums actually contributed, as reported to the Convention, for Church purposes during the last triennial period, from June, 1856, to June, 1859, and which may be grouped as follows, viz.:

Communion Alms,.....	$35,179
Parochial use,.....	155,295
Diocesan purposes,.....	30,473
Extra Diocesan charities,.....	21,782
Unspecified, but for the greater part Parochial,.....	84,004
Total,.....	$326,733

It is hardly necessary to say that the Returns from which this exhibit is made are only partial, as respects both the sources whence Reports were due, and the comprehensiveness and precision of the documents returned. It is quite certain that the aggregate just given should be augmented by at least one-third; and this, exclusive of all payments that may have been made on the subscriptions (exceeding $50,000) for the College of St. James. And another third should be added for the ordinary support of the Clergy and parochial expenses of Public Worship; the former item being entirely outside of the Returns, and a part of the latter not being covered by the indications furnished. The amount contributed for the Maintenance and Extension of Public Worship in the Diocese during the last three years, irrespective of Alms to the Poor, as well tabulated as unrecorded and unknown except to the giver, no doubt exceeds a half a million of dollars.

From these secular statements, we may pass to three others, more strictly religious in their character; the numerals in the first of which are liable to the same probabilities of deficiency which have been noticed just now. The last two are exact.

1. LAY-MOVEMENT.—Baptized: Adults, 541; Infants, 6,377; Undistinguished, 777—aggregate, 7,695. Buried, 2,835; Married, 1,717.

And the number of Communicants (complete) on 1st June, 1859, was not less than 10,580.

2. CLERGY-MOVEMENT.—Died, 6; Dimitted to other Dioceses, 32; Entered by letter, 33, and by Ordination, 12; Intra-Diocesan changes by resignations of cures, 55, and by acceptances of ditto, 43. The aggregate number is 153, consisting of 1 Bishop, 146 Priests, and 6 Deacons; and there were, on the last-mentioned date, 19 Candidates for Orders.

3. EPISCOPAL ACTS.—Confirmation, on 229 occasions, of 2,968 persons; Consecration of 13 Churches and of 1 Burial-ground; Corner-stone of 1 Church laid; Dedication of 1 Church renewed; Institution of 2 Rectors; Licenses to 7 Lay-readers; Ordination, on 12 occasions, of 14 Priests and of 12 Deacons; and Visitation of 268 Parishes and Congregations in 220 separate places.

Such are the details proper to be laid before the General Convention, in order to present an accurate view of the State of the Church in Maryland during and at the close of the Triennial period terminated on the *first of June last.*

The Diocese of Maryland has continued to enjoy abundant tokens of the Divine presence and blessing during the past three years. Under the present Episcopate, the number of the Clergy has more than doubled. The increased demand for Episcopal services has led to a movement for the division of the Diocese, which has been amicably discussed, and entertained with such a degree of favor, that it was negatived in the last Diocesan Convention, by a single vote of the Lay Order.

The Statistical Tables herewith presented according to the Canons, will supply all the requisite information of a statistical kind; but a brief notice of some of the more interesting features of Church work in the Diocese, may be not unworthy of a place in this Report.

Nor will it be improper to record, as preliminary, the names of the Presbyters of the Diocese who, since the last General Convention, have rested from their labors. The Rev. Philip Berry, formerly of Magdalen College, Cambridge, (England,) at the time of his death had lately returned to his Diocese, after laboring in Virginia; and the Rev. William Armstrong, after a long and honorable career in the same Diocese, was, at the time of his decease, Rector of the Parish of All Saints, Frederick. The Rev. Hector Humphreys, D.D., presided for many years with distinguished ability and success over St. John's College, Annapolis. The Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough was the

devoted and self-sacrificing servant of the Church in Maryland, for many years, and at the time of his death was Rector of St. John's Parish, Caroline County. The Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Baltimore, closed a long career of usefulness on the morning of Good Friday last, and his remains were attended to the grave on Easter Day, by a vast concourse of citizens, attesting the general regret of the community in which he had lived. On the same day, were buried, in hope of a blessed resurrection, the remains of the Rev. W. W. Arnett, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Cumberland, who had lately removed into the Diocese from Wisconsin.

The College of St. James is pursuing its career of usefulness, with a degree of prosperity highly gratifying to its friends. The subscriptions for effecting the removal of the College to Baltimore County, have already reached the required sum, and will probably be made up to $75,000 in a short time. Plans for the new buildings are now before a Committee for final acceptance, after long and mature consideration; and it is proposed that within a few weeks, the corner stone of the fabric shall be laid. Before another General Convention, it is confidently expected that the new site will be occupied by the College itself.

The "Church Home and Infirmary" is an Institution of the Church in Baltimore, which deserves notice, and which, it may be hoped, will encourage the formation of many similar charities. About five years since it was projected, on a limited scale, and was regarded by many as impossible at that. To raise $5,000 was the first plan, and has been found practically the most difficult part of the undertaking. By the blessing of God, and a concurrence of favorable circumstances, it is now in possession of commodious and even spacious buildings, on the most elevated and beautiful site in the city, and owns a property estimated at $75,000. Liberal gifts on the part of many churchmen and churchwomen in Baltimore, have enabled the institution to realize this prosperity; but it is proper to add, that the sum of $5,000 has been given by W. Newton Mercer, Esq., of New Orleans, with a conditional offer of $3,000 additional, to be paid on the 1st of January, 1860.

But the special feature of this Institution, and that which demands particular remark, is the fact that its internal

management, the care of the sick, and all its charities, are entrusted to a Society of Christian women, known as "The Deaconesses of the Diocese of Maryland." These ladies perform their benevolent duties without fee or reward, and are subject to the immediate control of the Bishop of the Diocese. Candidates are admitted to the Society after probation, but without the exaction of any vow or other formality than that of recognition, by the Bishop, as servants of the Church.

The City Missions of the City of Baltimore are in a prosperous condition. Three Stations are maintained under the care of as many Missionaries, and the degree of blessing which has attended their labors heretofore, has prompted the establishment of a fourth Station, to which a Missionary will soon be appointed.

In the Diocese at large, Missionary operations, owing chiefly to the lack of laborers, are not in so encouraging a condition. But large portions of the population, heretofore estranged from us, are turning to the Church for a supply of the Gospel, and calling for the ministrations of the Bishop and his Clergy, with an earnestness which proves that nothing but the supply of laborers is needed to secure a degree of prosperity and increase, which we have scarcely had the faith to hope for. The cry for the increase of the ministry, by some efficient instrumentality, with the blessing of GOD, must be regarded as not less loud in Maryland than in many of our Western States.

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Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. William Rollinson Whittingham, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers licensed,	4	3	8	15
Present number licensed,				27
Candidates for Orders admitted,	6	5	17	28
Present number candidates				18
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons ordained on one examination,	4	3	5	12
Deacons ordained on three examinations,	1	3		4
Presbyters,	4	2	9	15
Totals,	9	8	14	31

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Clergy Received.—Deacon,		1		1
Presbyters,	17	10	9	36
Totals,	17	11	9	37
Instituted.—Presbyters,	2			2
Transferred.—Deacon ordained on one examination,		1		1
Presbyters,	17	11	5	33
Totals,	17	12	5	34
Deceased.—Presbyters,	3		3	6
Suspended.—Presbyter,	1			1
Number canonically resident.—Deacons,				10
Presbyters,				148
Total,				158

REPORT OF PARISHES AND PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—New, admitted,	1	2	2	5
Corner-stones laid,			2	2
Consecrations,	5	3	5	13
Dedications,			1	1
Church Accommodations:—Edifices, 172; Sittings, 45000; Parsonages, 45; Number of Parishes and Incorporated Congregations in union, 126.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations:—				
Occasions,	54	81	112	247
Persons,	598	1192	1286	3076
Baptisms. Infants,	2533	2396	2225	7154
Adults,	145	195	201	541
Unspecified (about 10 per ct. of the whole) rated as infants.				
Marriages,	603	542	572	1717
Burials,	1001	918	916	2835
Communicants. Present Number,				10,580

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.—COLLEGIATE.

The College of St. James, with nineteen Professors and Tutors, and one hundred and fourteen Pupils; and with a Capital of about $30,000 in the actual Establishment, and of $63,000 engaged for its removal to another site, where the buildings are in progress, and are expected to be occupied in the course of the year 1860.

The Patapsco Female Institute, with one hundred and fourteen Pupils, of whom eighty-one are from other Dioceses; and with a Capital of $75,000 in the Establishment.

[The Report of Clergy, etc., is made up to Oct. 1st, 1859; that of Parishes to June 1st, 1859, the close of the Conventional year, except Confirmations, which, like other Episcopal acts, are up to Oct.]

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund. — Invested, say $41,000.				
Revenue from Interest and Parochial Assessment.— Annual Income,.....	$3,426	$5,287	$5,780	$14,493
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income, derived from Parochial Assessments,.....	785	1,020	965	2,770
Communion Alms, ordinarily for the Poor; but liable, in some cases, to either of the three following objects.—Annual Income,	9,500	12,534	13,144	35,178
Parochial Purposes, distinct from the support of the Rector and the ordinary expense of maintaining Public Worship.—Annual Income,.....	53,330	50,453	51,512	155,295
Diocesan Objects, contributed to be disbursed outside of the Parish or Congregation where it is raised, but within the Diocese: Missions, Parochial Aid, Church Home, etc.—Annual Income,...	16,028		26,518	42,546
Extra Diocesan Charities, contributed as the last, but to be disbursed outside the Diocese: Domestic and Foreign Missions, and the like. These are frequently not reported at all.—Annual Income,	10,392	5,483	5,367	21,242
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.— Invested, $4,000. Revenue from Interest and voluntary Contributions. — Annual Income,.....	627		1,078	1,705
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.— An Independent, Incorporated Institution; with a Capital of, say, $75,000. Revenue from Interest, and disbursed to Annuitants.—Annual Income,.....	4,125	4,300	4,636	13,061
Miscellaneous and Special, chiefly the extinguishment of Debt for Churches built heretofore, for building new ones, and repairing several destroyed by fire, etc.— Only partial.—Annual Income,..	23,000	14,697	69,307	107,104
Total Capitals, (under immediate control of the Diocesan Convention),.....				$45,000
Total Income for the three years,.....				$393,395

VIRGINIA.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Wm. Meade, D.D., Bishop; Right Rev. John Johns, D.D., Assistant Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,.....	2	7	15	24
Present number candidates,.....				18
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....	5	6	14	25
Received,.....		1		1
Transferred,.....		2		2
Deposed,.....	1			1
Presbyters ordained,.....	4	5	10	19
Transferred,.....		5		5
Deceased,.....	2	2	2	6
Suspended,.....	1			1
Deposed,.....		1		1
Number canonically resident,.....				118

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

		1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,.....			2		2
Consecrations, ...		8	3	2	13
Church accommodations.—Edifices, 174; Parsonages, 50; Number of Parishes in union, 150.					
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....		634	724	807	2165
Baptisms.	Infants,....	983	932	1114	3029
	Adults,....	132	218	218	568
Marriages, ...		347	344	409	1100
Burials,.....		634	667	718	2019
Communicants:—Added, 2910; Gone, 1690; Present Number, 7487; Net increase, 1226.					
Sunday-Schools, 78; Teachers, 892; Scholars, 5597.					

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Theological Seminary and High School, near Alexandria; Female Institute, Staunton; Value of endowments, lands, and buildings about $175,000.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,..				$20.200
Annual Income,.....	$1338	$1547	$1482	4367
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	5903	6207	6776	18,886

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	$3275	$3860	$3461	$10,596
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	2765	3846	3696	9807
Educational Fund.—Theological Seminary, Capital,				100,000
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Capital,				5894
Annual Income,	2235	2052	1600	5887
Widows and Orphans of Clergy. Capital,				31,777
Miscellaneous.—Chisholm Fund. Capital,				2431 05
Total Capitals,				160,302
Total Income for the three years,				$192,221 89

As compared with former Reports, the Church will be seen to be in a prosperous condition. The Statistics, however, are believed to be still very defective, on account of the difficulty of procuring them from large districts which are thinly populated. Emigration, also, is constantly going on; so that the fruits of the labors of our Ministers have often to be looked for in the rising Parishes of the West. There is an increasing attention to the spiritual interest of the colored population, of which no adequate report has as yet been given. The Theological Seminary is in a highly prosperous condition. Christian discipline in the Church, and a tone of spiritual religion in the Diocese, is believed to be steadily improving.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Diocese of North Carolina continues to advance in strength and general prosperity, in such manner as to give ground to believe assuredly that God's blessing rests upon it, and reason to hope that His Grace will, in the future, be more abundantly vouchsafed it. The number of the Clergy is 47, consisting of the Bishop, 34 Presbyters, and 12 Deacons. One of the most beloved and useful of its Presbyters, the Rev. John H. Parker, has been taken to his rest by the hand of God. Nine Deacons have been ordained, and eight Presbyters. Three Deacons and seven Presbyters have been received into the Diocese from others; and three Deacons and 16 Presbyters have been transferred from it. One Presbyter has been suspended, but subsequently restored;

and one Deacon has been deposed. There are 11 Candidates for Holy Orders. Six Churches have been Consecrated. There are 63 Parishes, two of which are not in union with the Convention. There are 67 Church buildings, and 18 Parsonages.

Baptisms,	2031
Confirmations,	1015
Communicants,	3035

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan,	$7868 14
General Domestic,	1870 80
Foreign,	2164 10
Miscellaneous Charities,	65,753 59

The Church Building Society has already accomplished much good, and is likely to be of signal benefit.

The religious instruction of the slaves has been followed up, it is hoped, with increased diligence and success; but it must be acknowledged that the Diocese is still far below the standard of duty in this important work.

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Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

Present number Lay Readers licensed, supposed to be between 30 and 40. They have been found very useful in this Diocese.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	3	7	6	16
Present number Candidates				11
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons, ordained on one examination,	4	2	1	7
Deacons, ordained on three examinations,			2	2
Presbyters,	5	1	3	9
Totals,	9	3	6	18
Received.—Deacons, ordained on three examinations,			2	2
Presbyters,	4	1	2	7
Totals,	4	1	4	9
Instituted.—Presbyter,			1	1

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Clergy Transferred.—Deacon, ordained on one examination,.....			1	1
Deacons, ordained on three examinations,.....			2	2
Presbyters,.....	4	6	7	17
Totals,.....	4	6	10	20
Deceased.—Presbyter,.....		1		1
Suspended.—Deacon,.....		1		1
Deposed.—Deacon,.....		1		1
Number canonically resident.—Deacons, ordained on one examination,.....				8
Deacons, ordained on three examinations,.....				4
Presbyters,.....				34
Total,.....				46

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—New Parishes admitted,.....		2	2	4
Corner-stone laid,.....	1			1
Consecrations,.....	2	2	2	6

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 67; Parsonages, 18;
Number of Parishes.—In Union, 61; not in Union, 2.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....	306	326	383	1015
Baptisms—Infants,.....	555	464	661	1680
Adults,.....	87	126	138	351
Marriages,.....	83	80	90	253
Burials,.....	158	221	273	652

Communicants:—Present number, 3036.
Sunday-Schools:—Scholars, 1294.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

There is a High-School for Boys at Ashville, as yet new and feeble; also a very prosperous Diocesan School for Girls at Raleigh.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,				$13,619 05
Annual Income,.....	$924 30	$895 80	$948 00	2768 18
Diocesan Fund.—This is the Contingent Fund of the Diocese, and includes support of Bishop.—Annual Income,.....	1930 85	2192 15	2247 87	6370 87
Diocesan Missions, Capital,				1300 00
Annual Income,.....	2735 22	2418 89	2574 03	7868 14
General Dom. Missions.—Annual Income,.....	593 35	729 63	547 82	1870 80
General Foreign Missions. Annual Income,.....	824 01	773 44	511 95	2164 10
Educational Fund.—Annual Income,.....	415 93	332 95	382 03	1130 91

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Widows and Orphans of Clergy. Annual Income,	507 56	532 54	594 09	1634 19
Miscellaneous and Special. —Annual Income,.....	23,482 61	22,464 99	16,820 89	62,968 49
Total Income for the three years,.....				$86,775 68

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The State of the Church in this Diocese may be considered as, in all respects but one, increasingly flourishing.

The number of Candidates for Holy Orders (ten), though still much below the wants of the Diocese, is considerably above the usual average.

The number of Clergy (72) is much below the wants of the Diocese. Seven of these are, from age and other causes, not regularly engaged in Parochial or Missionary work; leaving but 65 for efficient action. There are 67 Parishes and Churches on the list, though three of these are practically defunct, and several Missionary Stations. Seven of the Clergy are acting as Assistant Ministers, leaving six Churches, besides Missionary Stations, unprovided for. Moreover, the number of canonically resident Clergymen has not increased for ten years past, while the number of Churches has increased by eight in three years. But public attention having been recently turned to this deficiency, and a Diocesan Theological Seminary having been established, it is hoped that this deficiency will be diminished or removed.

The Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen meets *all* the demands upon it liberally, and is increasing its funds by the annual addition of three or four thousand dollars.

The Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy has but one on its bounty, and is also rapidly increasing.

The Church Home has 40 inmates, of whom 32 are sustained by the bounty of the Church, at an annual expense of more than three thousand dollars.

The Ladies' Society for the Support of Missions in the city of Charleston has a fund of near $10,000, and supports two Missions.

Calvary Church, chiefly for negroes, is supported by

voluntary contributions, under the direction of a Committee appointed by Convention.

The Female Bible, Prayer Book, and Tract Society has, for many years, distributed a considerable number of copies of the Word of God, of our invaluable Prayer Book, and of Religious Tracts.

About 50 Chapels, for the benefit of negroes on plantations, are now in use for the worship of God and the religious instruction of slaves. Many planters employ Missionaries or Catechists for this purpose; many more would do so, if it were possible to procure them. Some of the present Candidates for Holy Orders are looking forward to this special work. In one Parish (All Saints, Waccomaw) are 13 Chapels for negroes, supplied with regular services. The number of negroes attending the services of the Church in this Diocese cannot be shown by Statistics; it is very large, and increasing annually.

Of the number of Parishes not in union with Convention, two are Missions to the poor (chiefly whites) in the city of Charleston; and one a Mission chiefly for the benefit of slaves in the same city; but a number of whites are regularly in attendance, and a full corps of respectable white teachers assists in giving Sunday-School instruction.

The Report on the number of Communicants in this Diocese is imperfect; as, in several instances, the number of negroes in Communion with the Church has not been reported to the Diocesan Convention, on account of vacancies in the pastoral care of some Parishes. The whole number of Communicants is doubtless near six thousand.

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Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Thomas Frederick Davis, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,.....	2	3	4	9
Present number of Candidates,.....				10
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons ordained on one examination,.....	4			4
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....	3	1		4
Presbyters,.....	1	2	1	4
Total,.....				12

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Clergy Received.—Deacon ordained on three examinations,.....			1	1
Presbyters,.....	3	2	2	7
Total,.....	3	2	3	8
Transferred.—Presbyters,.....	8	2		10
Deceased.—Deacon,.....	1			1
Presbyters,.....	2		1	3
Total,.....	3		1	4
Suspended.—Presbyter,.....		1		1
Deposed.—Presbyter,.....		1		1
Number canonically resident:—				
Deacons ordained on one examinaation,.....				4
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....				2
Presbyters,.....				68
Total,.....				74

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—New parishes admitted,.....	2	4	2	8
Corner-stones laid,.....			3	3
Consecrations,.....	4	5	3	12
Church accommodations:—Edifices, 75; Parsonages, 17; Number of Parishes in union, 67; Not in union, 3.				
Parochial Statistics:—Confirmations,.....	873	624	445	1942
Baptisms. Infants,.....	1077	1585	995	3657
Adults,.....	238	559	291	1088
Marriages,.....	185	276	206	667
Burials,.....	393	536	475	1404
Communicants.—Present number, 5672. Sunday-Schools: Schools, 31; Teachers, 274; Scholars, 2,245.				

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Diocese of South Carolina; located at Camden.

Dehon Parochial School, Christ Church, Greenville.

Church Home, Charleston; for Destitute Females and Orphan Girls.

Beresford Parochial School, in St. Thomas' Parish.

Parochial School, Trinity Church, Columbia.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital, $67,907.				
Annual Income,.....	$3,619	$4,148	$4,321	$12,088
Diocesan Fund.—Society for Advancement of Christianity. Capital, $93,490.				
Annual Income,.....	7,024	6,489	7,003	20,516
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	1,452	1,167	3,317	5,946

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,.....	3,946	3,860	4,293	12,099
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....	6,375	3,447	3,538	13,360
Educational Fund.—Scholarships in General Theological Seminary, $10.646.				
Annual Income,.....	592	619	654	1,865
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Capital, $32.285.				
Annual Income,.....	1,704	1,855	2,412	5,971
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.—Capital, $123,155.52.				
Annual Income,.....	7,805	9,482	9,604	26,891
Miscellaneous and Special.—Annual Income,.....	5,506	4,034	7,297	16,837
Total Capitals, $327,483.52.				
Total Income for the three years,.....				$115,573

NOTE.—Of the 1942 Confirmed, 1211 were colored; of the 4775 Baptized, 3337 were colored; of the 667 Marriages, 374 were colored; of the 1404 Burials, 469 were colored; of the 5672 Communicants, 2819 are colored.

GEORGIA.

Within the last three years there have been ordained two Deacons and three Presbyters; eight Presbyters received and five transferred; making the present number of Clergy canonically connected with the Diocese twenty-five.

There are four Candidates for Holy Orders.

Since the last General Convention, three Parishes have been organized, and one admitted into union—making at present twenty-three Parishes in union, and four not yet admitted into union. Total number of Parishes, twenty-seven; Church Edifices, twenty-five; Parsonages, nine; Parish Schools, four; Orphan Asylums, two.

Within the last three years there have been—

Baptisms: Infant, 851; Adults, 216; Total, 1073.

Confirmations, 482; Marriages, 227; Burials, 544.

Communicants: Added, 637; Gone, 356; Present number of Communicants, 1998.

Sunday-Schools, 20: Teachers, 155; Scholars, 1526.

Episcopal Fund, $1003.84.

Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergy, $1822.18.

Collections for the last three years have been as follows:

For support of the Episcopate,		$7,752 00
For Diocesan Convention expenses,		795 95
Missions.—Diocesan,	$7,651 06	
General Domestic,	1,850 41	
Foreign,	4,717 84	
		14,219 31
Communion Alms,		7,957 92
Unspecified,		28,788 10
Total of Collections (Income) for the last three years,		59,513 28

A comparison of the Tabular Statement with that presented to the last General Convention exhibits, under nearly all of its specifications, encouraging evidences of growth and prosperity, and of the continued presence and blessing of the Almighty and gracious Head of the Church.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Georgia, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Candidates for Orders admitted,			4	4
Present number of Candidates,				4
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons ordained on three examinations,	2			2
Presbyters.	1		1	2
Received.—Presbyters,	1	4	3	8
Transferred.—Presbyters,		3	2	5
Number Canonically Resident.—Presbyters,				25
Total,				25

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Parishes:—Organized,	1	2		3
New Parishes admitted,		1		1
Corner-stones laid,	1			1
Consecrations,			1	1

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 25; Parsonages, 9.

Number of Parishes in union, 23.
Not in union, 4.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	97	169	216	482
Baptisms, Infants,	246	286	325	857
Adults,	62	80	74	216
Marriages,	82	73	72	227
Burials,	157	169	218	544

Communicants.—Added, 637; Gone, 356; Present number, 1998,—Sunday-Schools: Schools, 20; Teachers, 159; Scholars, 1526.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Parish Schools, 2
Church Orphan Asylums, 2

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

Episcopal Fund.—Capital,				$7,003 84
Annual Income,	$2620 00	$2532 50	$2599 50	7,752 00
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,	379 35	188 80	227 80	795 95
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	2394 23	2675 52	2581 31	7,651 06
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	741 61	372 53	776 27	1,850 41
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	1090 81	1179 55	2447 48	4717 84
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.—Capital,				1,822 18
Miscellaneous and Special. Communion alms.—Annual Income,	2345 42	2719 07	2893 43	7,957 92
Unspecified.—Annual Income,	6019 35	8827 36	13941 39	28,788 10
Total Income for the three years,				$59,513 28

FLORIDA.

Though the Church in Florida continues to be small and feeble, yet it is believed we are making steady, if not rapid progress. Among the signs of encouragement, are an increased desire for the services of the Church in many places through the entire year, and greater liberality, not only in rendering a support to those who are appointed and ordained to attend to this one thing, but in general it will be found that our contributions to all Church work, and especially to Missions, will bear a favorable comparison, according to our ability, with other sections of the country where the Church is older and stronger. This is not said to encourage a feeling of satisfaction with our own efforts, for though we have tried, by God's assistance, to keep the

Church alive through heavy and severe discouragements, such as have not fallen to the lot of many new Dioceses, yet we might have done more for Christ's kingdom. But still we rejoice in the well-founded belief that the darkest period in our history is well-nigh at an end, and a brighter sun is rising to gladden our hearts in the future. By a well-devised system of internal improvement, now in the course of rapid execution, the greatest hindrance to the advancement of the Church is being removed, namely, the difficulty of traversing the State on Missionary errands, or even of meeting in Conventions. With these improvements, we have endeavored to keep pace, and not only have several new Stations, and one or more Churches been established, but most of our existing Parishes have been so stimulated as to begin a new growth. It may be confidently predicted that before another Report is required to be made to this Body, several of our Parishes on the seaboard, which will be connected with the interior country of our own and other States, will double their present strength and efficiency. I mention this, because Florida, not being in the West, and consequently, not swept by the tide of Missionary sympathy that must be so refreshing to our Western brethren, must depend, under God, for building up the Church of Christ under her beautiful sky, for the most part, to our own sacrifices, energy, and devotion.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Florida to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. F. H. Rutledge, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers Licensed,.....			1	1
Present number,.....				6
Candidates for Orders admitted,.....			1	1
Present number,.....				1
Presbyters ordained,.....			1	1
" Received,.....2		2	1	5
" Transferred,.....			2	2
" Deceased,.....1				1
Total. Bishop, 1; Presbyters, 7,.....				8

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,.....		1	1	2
New Parishes admitted,.....2		1		3
Corner-stone laid,.....		1		1
Consecration,.....1				1
Church Accommodations: Edifices, 10; Parsonages, 4. Number of Parishes in union, 14. Not in union, 1. Total, 15.				
Parochial Statistics. Confirmations,.....34	83	66		183
Baptisms. Infants,.....167	99	110		376
Adults,.....25	14	19		58
Marriages,.....30	26	16		62
Burials,.....97	71	3		171
Communicants:—Added, 97; Gone, 57; Present number, 630. Sunday-Schools, 10; Teachers, 80; Scholars, 600.				

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Parish Schools,.....2

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital, $2,000. Annual Income,.....	$111 00	$112 00		$223 00
Diocesan Fund.—Capital, $3,500. Annual Income,.....			210 00	210 00
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	333 60	409 40	468 00	1211 00
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,.....	238 29	100 57		338 86
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....	171 50	163 90		335 40
Educational Fund.—Annual Income,.....			500 00	500 00
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.—Annual Income,.....		1000 00		1000 00
Total Capitals,.....				5000 00
Total Income for the three years, (about),.....				20,000 00

ALABAMA.

Clergy—Bishop, 1; Presbyters, 26; Deacons, 4; Total, 31. Candidates for Holy Orders, 8. Parishes in union with the Convention, 37; Churches consecrated, 5. Confirmations, 581. Baptisms—Adults, 230; Infants, 1107. Communicants, 1673.

Contributions to Missions.—Diocesan, $1,285.20; Domestic, $1,923.80; Foreign, $1,592.42. Miscellaneous and Spe-

cial Offerings, $3,652.01. Unspecified Offerings, $14,531.87. Episcopal Fund, Permanent, $3,534.25; Special, $23,061.80. Fund of Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5,812.17.

These Statistics, gathered from the three last Diocesan Journals, show a steady though gradual growth of the Church in this Diocese in numerical strength. Gratifying evidence might be given of much greater growth in moral power and in the confidence of them that are without.

The Diocese has sustained no loss of Clergymen by death. Of those ordained to Holy Orders, two have come from the Ministry of the Methodist Protestant Communion; and among the Candidates for Holy Orders is one who, for many years, has been a Minister of the Methodist Episcopal Communion.

A Fund is being raised to establish a Diocesan Female Seminary at Montgomery. About $20,000 have been subscribed already.

Increasing attention is given in this Diocese to the religious instruction of the blacks.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. N. H. Cobbs, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	2	4	1	7
Present Number of Candidates,				8
Three applications await the action of the Standing Committee.				
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons ordained on one examination,	1	1	3	5
Presbyters,	1	2		3
Totals,	2	3	3	8
Received.—Deacons ordained on three examinations,		1	1	2
Presbyters,		3	1	4
Totals,		4	2	6
Instituted.—Presbyter,			1	1
Transferred.—Presbyters,	3	4	3	10
Number Canonically Resident.—Deacons,				5
Presbyters,				24
Total,				29

REPORT OF PARISHES AND PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—New, admitted,	1	3	4	8
Consecrations,	2	3		5
Number of Parishes in union,				37
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	182	258	141	581
Baptisms. Infants,	305	363	439	1107
Adults,	69	90	71	230
Marriages,	88	82	84	254
Burials,	169	154	214	537
Communicants. Present Number,				1673

Sunday-Schools—Schools, 15; Teachers, 143; Scholars, 930.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

St. Wilfrid's School, Marion.
Diocesan Female Seminary, Montgomery.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital:— Permanent, $3,534 25. Special, $23,061 80.				$26,596 05
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	$358 20	$357 75	$569 25	1,285 20
General Domestic Missions.— Annual Income,	696 20	498 40	729 20	1,923 80
General Foreign Missions.— Annual Income,	570 12	586 95	435 35	1,592 42
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.—Capital, $5,812 17.				
Miscellaneous and Special.— Annual Income,	217 29	186 24	1212 53	3,652 01
Unspecified.—Annual Income,	2685 88	9099 10	2746 89	14,531 87
Total Capitals,				$32,408 22

Total Income for the three years, $21,700 10, exclusive of sums annually paid to the Bishop's salary, and Widows and Orphans Society.

MISSISSIPPI.

In presenting this Tabular view of the State of the Church in Mississippi, it may be necessary to add, that for several reasons it must be regarded as furnishing only an approximate view of the real condition of the Church in this Diocese. This is, in part, owing to the fact that the reports of the Parishes in the Diocesan journals from which the Statistics below are taken, are many of them very incomplete; while from others, owing to vacancies in the Rectorship, there is no report at all. But this is mainly owing to a cause over which we

have no control—the impaired health of our beloved Diocesan, brought on by over-exertion in the discharge of the onerous duties of his extensive field. On the urgent solicitation of his friends, he has been prevailed on to suspend his labors for a considerable portion of the time over which this Report extends, and to seek in a more bracing clime that relaxation and repose which will, we trust, by the blessing of God, result in his speedy and permanent restoration. In consequence of this interruption in the labors of our venerable Bishop, the Table of Statistics can scarcely be relied on as furnishing an accurate view of the condition of the Church in Mississippi. The real state and actual progress of the Church is unquestionably much greater than the figures in the Table indicate. At the present moment, in nearly every Parish, there are classes of candidates awaiting the visitation of the Bishop, that they may receive the Apostolic rite of "laying on of hands."

Among the encouraging features of the State of the Church, is the steady and healthy increase in the number of Communicants, the number of Parishes organized, and notwithstanding the financial pressure, the increased amount of contributions,—all give evidence that the Church is steadily, though it may be silently, advancing in this Diocese.

But if there is one feature more gratifying than another, it is the large number of adults who have been admitted to holy Baptism within the last three years, and especially in the fact that so large a portion of these are from among our slave population. Never before in the same space of time, have so many of this portion of our population been brought into the bosom of the Church in the Diocese of Mississippi. Never before has this field presented such an inviting aspect to the laborer in the spiritual harvest. On every hand is observed the increasing desire on the part of masters to give unto their servants the blessings of the Gospel and the Church, and could we only comply with their pressing invitations to preach the Word of Life to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death in our "Africa at home," the time would soon come when we should behold thousands of "Ethiopia's sons stretching out their hands unto God." May the Lord of the harvest send forth more laborers into this inviting portion of his moral vineyard!

Of our institutions of learning in the Diocese, it is gratifying to record that Saint Thomas' Hall, at Holly Springs, has been resuscitated under the most flattering prospects, through the energetic labors of the Rev. Dr. Ingraham. The excellent Institution at Pass Christian, under the supervision of Dr. Savage, is faithfully carrying on its work of usefulness among the daughters of the South, while "Wilson Hall," and "Rose Gates School," (a female institution of high order at Okolona), are in a prosperous condition in the northern portion of the Diocese.

On the whole, we thankfully recognize, in the progress of the Church during the three years last passed, encouraging tokens of the blessing of our great Head, while we look forward to the future with hope that the time to favor Zion will soon come.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. William Mercer Green, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Reader licensed,			1	1
Present number licensed,				1
Candidates for Orders admitted,	2		2	4
Present number of candidates,				2
Clergy Ordained.—Deacon ordained on one examination,		1		1
Deacons ordained on three examinations,		1	2	3
Presbyters,			2	2
Totals,		2	4	6
Received.—Presbyters,	5	3	10	18
Transferred.—Presbyters,	9	5	7	21
Deceased.—Deacons,	1		1	2
Presbyter,		1		1
Totals,	1	1	1	3
Deposed.—Deacon ordained on one examination,			1	1
Number canonically resident.—Deacons ordained on three examinations,				2
Presbyters,				29
Total,				31

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

		1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,		3	3	1	7
New Parishes admitted,		2	3	2	7
Corner-stones laid,			4	2	6
Consecrations,		1		3	4
Church accommodations.—Edifices, 21; Parsonages, 8; Number of Parishes in union, 35.					
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,		119	159	250	528
Baptisms.	Infants,	312	395	373	1080
	Adults,	76	144	158	378
Marriages,		50	199	73	322
Burials,		69	93	146	308
Communicants:—Added, 532; Gone, 252; Net increase, 363; Present Number, 1400. Sunday-Schools, 15; Teachers, 82; Scholars, 568.					

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,				$6500 00
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	$618 05	$1055 75	$1327 65	3,001 45
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	660 80	381 20	490 75	1,532 85
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	702 78	124 25	333 95	1,160 98
Educational Purposes.—Annual Income,	455 00	3746 55	400 00	4,601 55
Episcopal Residence,				8,000 00
Total Capitals,				14,500 00
Income for the three years,				88,944 75

LOUISIANA.

Our Table of Statistics exhibits a continued and steady growth and increase of the Church in the Diocese of Louisiana, such as to call for devout thanks to the great Head of the Church for the manifold manifestations of his presence and blessing among us. We nevertheless are compelled to lament that this growth and increase have not been as great as we might desire, or as ought reasonably to be looked for as the result of the means employed and the labors put forth. Could we always retain the advantages gained, we might exhibit a much more prosperous condition than even the present gratifying Report exhibits. This drawback to the permancy of our success is attributable, we think, mainly if not entirely, to the lack of educa-

tional institutions in which the distinctive features of the Church are clearly set forth and prominently inculcated, so as to counteract that laxity of opinion so extensively prevalent in regard to the clearly-defined and binding character of positive religious duty, and conformity to religious ordinances.

This deficiency, we have good reason to believe, is soon to be partially supplied by the establishment of the proposed University, which, we trust, will not only operate favorably upon the youth instructed therein, but which will infuse a tone of healthy sentiment into our whole Church and community, calculated to correct the lax and illy-defined notions prevalent, and which are subversive of all rule, authority, and good government. We look then to the establishment and carrying into effect of the university of the South, as the great desideratum in raising up and training stedfast and enlightened champions of the truth, and in securing permanency and stability to our efforts and labors.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Louisiana, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	5	1	2	8
Present number candidates,				2
Clergy Ordained.—Deacon ordained on one examination,		1		1
Deacons ordained on three examinations,		3		3
Presbyters,	1	1	2	2
Totals,	1	5	2	8
Received.—Deacon ordained on one examination,		1		1
Deacon ordained on three examinations,		1		1
Presbyters,	3	5	4	12
Totals,	3	7	4	14
Transferred.—Presbyters,	3	4	5	12
Deceased.—Presbyter,			1	1
Number canonically resident.—Deacons,				2
Presbyters,				33
Total,				35

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—New Parishes admitted,.....	2	3	1	6
Corner-stones laid,.....		1	1	2
Consecrations,.....	1	1	3	5
Number of Parishes in union, 35. Not in union, 7.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....	292	241	204	737
Baptisms. Infants,....	690	971	1032	2693
Adults,....	79	79	133	291
Marriages,.....	278	243	230	751
Burials,.....	244	200	99	543
Communicants.—Added, 812; Gone, 361; Net increase, 325: Present number, 1667. Sunday-Schools: Teachers, 141; Scholars, 1455.				

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital, $32,620.00.				
Annual Income,.....$4,044 00	$795 00	$2,710 00	$7,549 00
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income, ...	97 02	276 95	123 00	496 97
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	3,007 32	742 80	411 18	4,160 50
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	118 97	400 95	170 15	690 07
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Capital, $435.10.				
Miscellaneous and Special.				
Annual Income,.....	9,652 83	4,500 41	12,006 64	26,159 88
Total Capitals,.....				33,055 10
Total Income for the three years,.....				49,805 37

TEXAS.

Since the meeting of the last General Convention, it has pleased God to remove from the scene of his earthly labors, the Right Rev. Geo. W. Freeman, D.D., who for a series of years went in and out among us as our Chief Pastor, and to whom this Diocese owes a heavy debt of grateful affection. Ever firm, faithful, and conscientious in the discharge of his high and responsible duties, and at the same time kind and conciliatory, he did much to lay a broad and strong foundation for the Church in Texas. After a life of self-denying devotion to the best interests of the kingdom of the Redeemer, he now "rests from his labors, and his works do follow him."

On the 6th of May last, our Convention unanimously elected to the Episcopate of the Diocese, the Rev. Alexander Gregg, of South Carolina. Happily for the Church in Texas, Mr. Gregg has been led to accept the invitation, and has decided to enter upon the great work so evidently pointed out by the providence of God.

This day he has been solemnly Consecrated to be our Bishop, and we can now rejoice in having a Chief Shepherd who will look after and care for our scattered flock, and through whose efficient instrumentality, the drooping hearts of God's people will be revived, and the Church be established in all our borders.

Richmond, Oct. 13, A.D. 1859. BENJ. EATON.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Texas, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay readers licensed,	1	1		2
Present number,				1
Candidates for Orders admitted,	1	1	1	3
Present number Candidates				2
Clergy Ordained.—Deacon ordained on one examination,	1			1
Deacon ordained on three examinations,		1		1
Deacons received,	1			1
Transferred,		1		1
Presbyters, ordained,	1		2	3
Received,	1	2	1	4
Transferred,	1	1	2	4
Deceased,	1	1		2
Number canonically resident,				12

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,		1	2	3
New Parishes admitted,	2	1	1	4
Corner-stones laid,	1		2	3
Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 12; Parsonages, 1; Number of Parishes in union, 24,				

		1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,		21	49		70
Baptisms—Infants,		130	84	170	384
	Adults,	20	13	16	49
Marriages,		46	41	34	121
Burials,		33	34	72	129

Communicants.—Added, 133; reported. 430; estimated, 700. Sunday-Schools, 9; Teachers, 94; Scholars, 675.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

St. Paul's College; incorporated, and with a small landed Fund, but not in operation.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Contributions unspecified,	$15,262	$26.570	$2,448	$44,280
Total Income for the three years,				$44,280

TENNESSEE.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Tennessee, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. J. H. Otey, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	5	6	2	13
Present number of Candidates,				6
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons,		3	1	4
Received,			7	7
Transferred.—Deacon, ordained on three examinations,			1	1
Presbyters			4	4
Total,				5
Deceased.—Deacon,			1	1
Presbyter,	1			1
Total,				2
Number canonically resident,				27

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes:—Organized,	1	2		3
New Parishes admitted,		3		3
Corner-stone laid,			1	1
Consecrations,		2		2

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 21; Parsonages, 3.

Number of Parishes in union, 21.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	90	133	235	458
Baptisms, Infants,	216	264	406	886
Adults,	35	72	95	202
Marriages,	47	45	78	170
Burials,	76	90	146	312

Communicants.—Present number, 1300. Sunday-Schools:—Schools, 17; Teachers, 13; Scholars, 755.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Contributions for Diocesan Missions and Education,	$550 78	$393 75	$457 06	$1,401 59
General Domestic Missions,	534 19	231 03	191 65	956 87
General Foreign Missions,	135 50	181 35	178 43	495 28
Other Church Objects,	7,756 51	25,891 88	29,520 02	63,168 41
Total Income for the three years,				$66,022 16

From the above Tabular statement it will be seen that although the Church in the Diocese of Tennessee is still feeble, its growth and prosperity are steadily increasing. In the year 1857 the Diocese sustained a great loss in the removal, by death, of the Rev. Charles Tomes, of Nashville. While we lament the separation from us of one so devoted to his sacred vocation, so efficient in the work of the ministry, so faithful and true, and so eminently a lover of the brethren, yet we rejoice in the blessed heritage he has left us, of an example in all that is "lovely and of good report."

KENTUCKY.

The Diocese of Kentucky is slowly but steadily progressing. There has been a manifest and gratifying increase of strength and life in the last two or three years.

The Convocation movement has both excited and directed the Missionary feeling of the people, and very marked and happy results have ensued. Several new Stations have been occupied, and there is a large demand for more Ministers.

It is a subject of especial gratification, that Shelby College, with its liberal appointments, rare library, noble telescope and apparatus, is now relieved from all its pecuniary embarrassments, and is reorganized, with a full Faculty, in

a way to secure confidence and success. It is, indeed, like making a new beginning; but that beginning is very auspicious, and the results cannot be doubted.

The interest of the fund of $10,000, the property of the Theological Seminary, is employed in the education of young men seeking the sacred Ministry; and it is trusted that, at no distant day, the Theological Seminary of the Diocese will be reorganized.

The number of Clergy connected with the Diocese is 32. Six new Parishes have been received into connection with the Convention, the whole number of Parishes being 31; Baptisms, 1299; Confirmed, 693; Communicants—added, 471, whole number, 1936; Marriages, 182; Funerals, 443; Sunday-School Teachers, 301; Sunday-School Scholars, 2354; Churches built, 3; Ordinations to the Diaconate, 5; to the Priesthood, 6; Candidates for Holy Orders, 6; Number of Pupils in Parochial Schools, and in Schools under the superintendence of the Clergy or Laity of the Church, 689; Contributions for Church objects, not including the current expenses of the Church, $96,869.43; of this sum there was contributed for Foreign and Domestic Missions, $5,658.79, and for Diocesan Missions, $9,996.48.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kentucky to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers licensed,	2	4	5	11
Present number,				5
Candidates for Orders admitted,	1	4	5	10
Present number,				6
Deacons ordained on three examinations,	1	1	2	4
Transferred,			1	1
Presbyters ordained,	1	1	3	5
Received,	1	5	2	8
Transferred,	2	6	1	9
Deposed,		1	1	2
Number canonically resident,				32

REPORT OF PARISHES AND PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes organized,.....	1	3	1	5
New, admitted,.....	1	3	1	5
Corner-stone laid,.....	1			1
Consecration,.....	1			1

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 29; Sittings, 7,050; Parsonages, 3
Number of Parishes in Union, 32; not in Union, 1.

		1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—	Confirmations,.....	229	182	304	715
	Baptisms.—Infants,...	388	323	359	1070
	Adults,...	81	91	84	256
	Marriages,.....	50	59	73	182
	Burials,.....	158	118	167	443

Communicants: Added, 962; Gone, 490; Net increase, 472; Present number, 1936.
Sunday-Schools, 22; Teachers, 301; Scholars, 2354.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Diocesan Missions,....	$1405 00	$4602 08	$3889 40	$9896 48
General Domestic Missions,.....	452 00	1384 20	2321 98	4158 18
General Foreign Missions,.....	331 00	678 10	514 44	1523 54
Miscellaneous and Special,.....	23,172 00	12,448 60	44,323 53	79,944 13
Total income for the three years, not including current expenses,.....				$95,522 33

OHIO.

The Diocese of Ohio, in making another Triennial Report, finds renewed occasion for grateful acknowledgments to Almighty God. Its growth, though not rapid, continues to be steady and healthful. The pecuniary embarrassments felt so painfully in many sections of our Country, have greatly interfered with the ability of the Ohio Church to carry out fully the plans formed by its Bishop, its Clergy, and its Laity for Church extension. Yet the accompanying figures will show a most remarkable increase in the Contributions made to the cause of Diocesan Missions and of Ministerial Education. During the three years ending the first of last June, no less than $13,615.82 were expended in aiding Beneficiaries preparing for the Holy Ministry:

52 of this class having received aid during the past year. Nearly $10,000 were contributed in the same period for Diocesan Missions. The results of these expenditures must make themselves seen, through God's blessing, in the next three years, and, we trust, through many years to come.

The protracted indisposition of the venerable Bishop of the Diocese, and his absence from the Country for many months, have necessarily diminished the number of Confirmations that might otherwise have been expected. The election of the Rev. Dr. Bedell, now happily consummated by his Consecration to the office of Assistant-Bishop of the Diocese, gives new encouragement to the hopes and efforts of all who are laboring for the welfare of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio.

The Institutions at Gambier, founded as they were by the energetic and great-hearted Pioneer Bishop of the West, are more than ever effective for the great purposes to which they are devoted. The vested funds have been largely increased by the liberal response to the appeals of Bishop Mollvaine, and by the legacy of the late Mr. Johns of Maryland. Ascension Hall, a noble structure, costing about $30,000, is now nearly completed; and the increasing number of students makes it probable that even the additional room thus gained will be insufficient to accommodate the many who are drawn thither by the rising reputation of these Institutions. The Catalogue for 1858–9 gave the names of 229 in the several departments; 21 being members of the Theological Seminary, and probably 80 at least looking forward to the Holy Ministry. Another effort in this direction has been lately made, by the transfer to the Convention by its Trustees of an institution having a moderate endowment, both in lands and in money, and located at Worthington, near Columbus. This will serve, for the present, as an additional preparatory school for Kenyon College.

We have only to add that a delightful spirit of union and harmony characterizes the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese. They recognize the comprehensive character of the Church, as offering to embrace all who avow and manifest their love to the Saviour, and their adherence to the great principles of Christian Truth, as they have come down to us from the Apostles' times. They make no "*private interpretation*" the

badge or standard of Churchmanship: but they accord to all, what they claim for themselves, the largest liberty consistent with a cordial reception of God's Word as the only and all-sufficient Rule of Faith, and the Book of Common Prayer as at once an authorized Standard of Interpretation, and an invaluable aid and safeguard to the devout worshipper.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., D.C.L., Oxon et Cant., Bishop.
Right Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Assistant-Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	3	2		5
Present number,				15
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons, ordained on three examinations,	9	3	2	14
Presbyters,	3	2	3	8
Totals,	12	5	5	22
Received.—Presbyters,	5	9	7	21
Transferred.—Presbyters,	7	11	8	26
Deceased.—Presbyters,	1	1		2
Deposed.—Deacon, ordained on three examinations,			1	1
Presbyter,			1	1
Total,			2	2

Number canonically resident.—Bishops, 2; Deacons, 5; Presbyters, 77; Total, 84.

REPORT OF PARISHES, AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes Organized,		3	3	6
New Parishes admitted,		1	3	4
Consecrations,		2	4	6

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 76.
Number of Parishes in union, 93; not in union, 2.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	325	364	454	1143
Baptisms—Infants,	578	633	696	1907
Adults,	113	170	150	433
Marriages,	276	241	264	781
Burials,	427	374	436	1237

Communicants.—Added, 2466; Gone, 1558; Net increase, 688; Present number, 5680.
Sunday-Schools, 66; Teachers, 807; Scholars, 5731.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.—COLLEGIATE, THEOLOGICAL, PAROCHIAL.

Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio; Kenyon College; Preparatory School, Worthington.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Annual Income (from assessment),.....	$2381 14	$2814 00	$3285 00	$8480 14
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	715 64	634 81	644 14	1994 59
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	2817 02	3289 29	3882 81	9989 12
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	1201 81			1201 81
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....	1438 16			1438 16
Educational Fund.—Annual Income,.....	5329 76	5404 21	7234 76	18,068 73
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Capital,.....				7000 00
Widows and Orphans of Clergy.—Capital,.....				12,172 12
Annual Income,.....	919 84	825 70	1206 53	2952 07
Miscellaneous and Special.—Kenyon College and Theological Seminary Productive funds,.....				87,000 00
Annual Income,.....	21,822 04	30,910 36	42,514 83	95,247 27
Unspecified.—Annual Income,.....	7422 13	8557 54	6778 43	22,758 10
Total Income for the three years,.....				$160,928 18

IS OF FORTY ANNUAL CONVENTIONS OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

No. of Clergy.	ORDINATIONS. Presbyters.	ORDINATIONS. Deacons.	BAPTISMS. Infant.	BAPTISMS. Adult.	BAPTISMS. Total.	Confirmations.	Communicants.	Churches Consecrated.	Marriages.	Burials.	Candidates for Orders.	CONTRIBUTIONS. For Missions and Ministerial Education.	CONTRIBUTIONS. For all Benevolent Purposes and for Church Building.
2					446		200				1		
4					50		220						$10,000 00
4	1		250	55	369	111	316			7	1		
6		2	122	12	164	234	345		1	5	1		
6			165	40	226	174	502		27	15	2		
7			253	40	310	24	598	1	23	38	2	$150 87	750 57
7	1	3	136	8	185	74	538	1	18	35	2	16 00	16 00
8	2	2	178	15	222	86	563		14	52	2	130 87	130 87
7			42	9	51	30	601		1	5		41 00	41 00
7			198	22	220	177	768	1	12	34	2		
11	2	5	141	15	156	9	625	1	18	41	1		
14		1			155		833		38	52	1		
14	2	1			130	81	885	3	19	32			
15			100	15	129	60	728		35	59			
17	1	3	204	25	250	100	873	1	25	122			
17			104	11	165		868		63	91		141 00	1,581 00
23	1	1	137	17	234	34	1251		87	148	7	68 00	868 00
30	3	1	191	28	253	285	1314	11	62	153	15	769 37	4,386 37
35	0	0	175	39	274	134	1502	3	102	140	16	575 00	575 00
47	0	1	181	38	283	202	1738	6	76	94	16	1,155 79	2,414 48
53	12	4	296	44	417	185	2085	6	106	175	17	760 27	1,985 11
56	3	9	342	110	514	408	2101	4	296	204	13	1,413 93	2,010 64
52	5	7	296	44	387	217	1957	2	82	147	12	896 82	7,133 60
52	4	4	263	80	375	195	2132	2	95	192	14	604 76	2,484 83
58	3	4	325	54	406	305	2136	3	140	240	8	921 72	2,871 96
60	6	5	488	142	683	361	3189	2	136	283	7	951 50	3,952 06
57	8	4	419	184	603	279	3260	1	127	242	4	1,034 12	21,368 84
57	1	0	351	55	406	477	3034	3	98	217	12	924 10	20,982 46
59	2	2	263	45	353	205	3024	3	149	226	13	1,108 82	29,210 94
64	0	2	302	44	427	175	3159	4	128	175	18	824 71	12,936 73
64	4	9	342	76	469	281	3309	3	147	271	7	1,376 86	26,836 09
70	8	4	448	62	510	207	3859	7	200	233	8	1,951 06	7,650 04
75	4	5	476	83	606	258	4025	2	188	525	4	1,734 72	7,736 80
72	1	3	490	62	552	255	4080	1	162	386	3	2,614 60	27,102 80
64	1	0	502	73	575	280	4351	2	141	367	8	3,576 07	15,393 37
70	2	5	393	70	463	273	4525	0	230	401	14	3,476 85	17,790 38
74	1	6	554	80	634	125	4491	0	250	427	9	6,296 37	66,686 92
69	10	3	561	58	649	545	4711	3	255	459	10	7,652 16	43,688 44
68	0	0	390	75	465	266	4682	1	145	244	12	10,349 04	24,785 37
79	6	4	541	105	646	401	4992	1	272	381	12	10,125 13	64,387 03
85	3	9	578	113	691	325	5117	0	276	427	7	14,367 50	46,691 79
	97	109	11,257	1,078	15,193	7,858		78	4,254	7,345		$76,009 01	

INDIANA.

This Diocese, from various causes one of the most difficult fields of labor in our Ecclesiastical Confederation, has, nevertheless, since the last General Convention, been slowly but steadily growing, and presents, at this time, an encouraging prospect of future progress. Four new and beautiful Church edifices have been erected within two years past, the cost of three of which has been entirely defrayed by their respective Congregations, without soliciting any extraneous aid. Two of these Churches have been Consecrated, the other two are awaiting Consecration.

The Diocese at present consists of the Bishop, 24 Presbyters, 4 Deacons, 3 Candidates for Holy Orders, 29 organized Parishes, 9 Missionary Stations, 1192 Communicants, 158 Sunday-School Teachers, 1036 Sunday-School pupils. Since the last Triennial Report, 5 Candidates for Holy Orders have been ordained Deacons, and 6 Deacons have been advanced to the Priesthood; 2 Church edifices have been consecrated, 1 Clergyman has died—the Rev. Albert Bingham. Since the last General Convention, there have been—

Baptisms (Adults, 132; Infants, 622),	754
Confirmed,	389
Marriages,	187
Burials,	346
Contributions,	$46,652 58

The Diocese, by assessments on the Parishes, raises $1000 per annum for the support of the Episcopate; the Bishop having no Parochial cure, and devoting himself exclusively to the duties of his Episcopal office. Incipient measures have been taken for the erection of an Episcopal residence in the city of Indianapolis, which were arrested by the commercial embarrassments of 1857. The enterprise will be persevered in, and the hope is indulged that it will ere long be completed.

ILLINOIS.

The tokens of God's blessing upon this Diocese are too manifest to be allowed to pass without special remark. As

eographical position of the State, its untold resources ealth and their rapid development, point to its attain- at no distant day, a position of the first rank among tates of the Union, so the rapid growth of the Diocese, · God's blessing, in the number of its Clergy, its organ- Parishes, its Communicants, and in attachment to sound rvative principles, point to its assuming, within a short of time, a position among the first of the Dioceses of American Church. As our vast and fertile prairies within the last three years, been settled with a rapid- nparalleled in the history of the State, so the oppor- es for extending the Church have multiplied far nd the power of the Church to meet them. The cry is, as in every other Diocese, is for more laborers. the strong hope is indulged, that when Jubilee Col- now placed in connection with the Convention, shall re, as it should have, more of the patronage and foster- are of the Diocese, it will serve as a Training School to ly largely the ranks of the Ministry. The Diocese has esent an efficient Missionary system to supply means, with its Training School to supply men for the desti- places, it is believed that each successive Triennial rt will exhibit an increase second to no other portion e Church.

TABULAR DIGEST

: *Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois, to the General Convention of* 1859.

Right Rev. Henry John Whitehouse, D.D., Bishop.

T OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
leaders licensed,.....	2	3	10	15
nt number licensed,.....				12
dates for Orders admitted,.....	4	4	1	9
nt number of candidates,.....				5
n ordained on one examination,.....		1		1
Received,.....	2			2
Transferred,.....	1			1
Canonically resident				2
Ordained on three examinations,.....	2	1		3
Received,.....		2		2
Transferred,.....			2	2

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Presbyters Ordained,.....	2	1	3	6
Received,.....	15	8	11	34
Instituted,.....		1		1
Transferred,.....	8	7	6	21
Deceased,.....			3	3
Present number,.....				58
Clergy canonically resident,.....				60

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

		1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,.....		4	2	11	17
New Parishes admitted,.....		5	2		7
Consecrations,.....		8	4		12
Church accommodations.—Parsonges, 13. Number of Parishes in union, 93; not in union, 3.					
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....		246	560	425	1231
Baptisms. Infants,....		529	675	735	1939
Adults,....		74	165	129	368
Marriages,.....		201	173	277	651
Burials,.....		297	268	257	812
Communicants:—Added, 372; Present Number, 3000.					
Sunday-Schools: Teachers, 516; Scholars, 2905.					

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.

Collegiate Jubilee College.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Annual Income,.....		$1393	$1070	$2463
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	$298	332	462	1092
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	853	1027	1855	3735
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income, ...	1944	977	834	3755
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income, ...	546	535	855	1936
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.—Annual Income,.....		102	202	304
Unspecified.—Annual Income,	2536	13,980	10,048	26.564
Total Income for the three years,.....				39,789

MISSOURI.

TABULAR DIGEST

Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. C. S. Hawks, D.D., Bishop.

OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
ɜaders Licensed,.....			4	4
ates for Orders admitted,.....	1	1	2	4
t number of Candidates,.....				5
ı ordained on three examinations,.....	1			1
Number canonically resident,.....				2
ters Ordained,.....	1	1	1	3
Received,.....	4	4	2	10
Transferred,.....	2	2	2	6
Deceased,.....		1		1
Canonically resident,.....				25
Clergy " "				27

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
hes.—Organized,.....	1	3	2	6
New parishes admitted,.....	1	3	2	6
Corner-stones laid,.....	2	1	1	4
Church accommodations:—Edifices, 16; Sittings, 6870; Parsonages, 6; Number of Parishes in union, 29.				

ARKS.—Two Clergymen actually but not Canonically resident, o Clergymen Canonically but not actually resident.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
hial Statistics:—Confirmations,.....	161	232	180	573
Baptisms. Infants,.....	191	291	263	745
Adults,.....	43	66	44	153
Marriages,.....	70	80	71	221
Burials,.....	118	139	103	360

Communicants.—Number last reported, 1098; added anew, 379; Deceased, 59; Present number, 1395; Net increase, 297.

Sunday-Schools, 16; Teachers, 153; Scholars, 916.

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Paul's College (chartered); Palmyra Female Institute (private); ns' Home (chartered).

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital just forming. Annual Salary,.....				$3300
Contributions for Diocesan purposes,.....	$10,065 00	$18,122 00	$42,976 00	$71,163 00
General Domestic Missions,	599 76	206 90	376 51	1183 17
General Foreign Missions,	368 63	313 05	296 25	977 93
Educational Fund.--St. Paul's College, 33 acres land and buildings, value,				20,000 00
Orphans' Home, value,.				15,000 00
Miscel., Extra Diocesan,..	1505 15	477 75	33 50	2016 40
Total contributions for the three years,.....				75,340 50

By order of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Missouri,

FRANCIS J. CLERC,
President.

St. Louis, Sept., 1859.

KANSAS.

The primary Convention of the Diocese of Kansas was held at Wyandott, August 11th, 1859, and the Diocese was admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church at its present Session. The table below will give the chief items, serving to indicate its strength and condition.

Candidates for Holy Orders,.....	1
" " Ordination,.....	1
Present number of Clergy,.....	11
Baptisms, about.....	50
Confirmations,.....	27
Communicants, about.....	160
Churches Consecrated,.....	3
Parishes,.....	17

MICHIGAN.

There have been 10 Ordinations—6 Deacons and 4 Priests. 13 Ministers have been received into the Diocese, and 8 transferred to other Dioceses. 3 Clergymen have deceased, viz., Rev. N. M. Bruce, Rev. Chas. Aldis, and Rev. John Bramwell.

The number of Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese is 49, viz., the Bishop, 44 Presbyters, and 4 Dea-

cons. There are 3 Candidates for Orders, and 10 Lay Readers. 7 Parishes have been organized, and been admitted into union with the Convention. The present number of Parishes in union with the Convention is 49. 7 Corner-stones have been laid, and 9 Churches Consecrated. There are 40 Church edifices in the Diocese, furnishing sittings for 12,300 persons; and 5 Parsonages. Confirmations, 1016; Baptisms (Infants, 1066, Adults, 369) 1435; Marriages, 561; Burials, 666; Sunday-Schools, 40; Sunday-Scholars, 2557; Teachers, 342; total 2899; Communicants added, 1016; died and removed, 277; present number, 2701, showing a net increase of 739 Communicants in 34 Parishes, for out of 49 organized Parishes, we do not, at any Diocesan Convention, receive reports on an average from more than 34 Parishes. Had we Statistics of all these non-reporting Parishes, we could show a much greater increase. The present number of Communicants cannot be much less than 3000; but taking, as we must necessarily do, the Journals of the Diocesan Convention as the basis of this Report, we report only 2701.

Contributions to the Episcopal Fund, $4261.34; to the Diocesan Fund, $2019.59; to Diocesan Missions, $3718.26; to General Domestic Missions, $1417.02; to General Foreign Missions, $783.37; Communion Alms, $4247.31; Miscellaneous and Specified objects, $26,898.23; Unspecified objects, $1347.21; Total Contributions for the last three years, exclusive of Church building and Ministers' salaries, $44,642.33.

It will be seen, by an examination of the Statistics herewith presented, and a comparison with those presented at the last General Convention. that the Church in the Diocese of Michigan has been steadily progressing, and, under the blessing of God, is in a highly prosperous condition. She is making herself known and her influence felt in all parts of the State, and attracting more and more to her fold men of standing and influence in the community. In Detroit an enterprise has been inaugurated by a gentleman, closely identified with the interests of the Church in the Diocese, and, by his Christian liberality, not unknown to the Church in general, which promises great usefulness—I mean the establishment of the new Parish of St. John. A magnificent stone Chapel has been built for temporary use, to be converted hereafter into a Lecture and Sunday-School

room; a large and commodious Parsonage has been erected and fitted up with all the modern improvements—all at a cost of about $25,000, two-thirds of which have been paid by the gentleman above mentioned. Another Parish—St. Peter's—has still more recently been organized in that city, an eligible building lot generously donated by Ex-Governor Woodbridge, a temporary building is now being erected. And, under the pastoral supervision of the Rev. Dr. Keighly, this young Parish already exhibits marks of vigor and life. St. John's Chapel will be filled at once, it being understood that there are sixty families who have expressed a desire to connect themselves with this Parish.

We see, therefore, in the large increase in the number of Baptisms and Confirmations, in the amount of Contributions, in the noble Episcopal Fund now being created, the income from which will, before the next General Convention, set the Bishop free from Parochial charge; in the number of Parishes organized, and Churches of the first class erected and consecrated, and, above all, in the delightful harmony which has ever characterized the counsels and action of the Church in this Diocese, not only unmistakable indications of increasing life and vigor, but the fairest promise of future growth and prosperity.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Michigan, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Samuel Allen McCoskry, D.D., D.C.L., Oxon, Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay readers licensed,.....				10
No Lay Readers have been appointed the last three years.				
Candidates for Orders admitted,.....	1	2		3
Present Number of Candidates,.....				3
Deacons ordained on one examination, ...	3			3
Deacons ordained on three examinations,.....	1	1	1	3
Presbyters, ...		3	1	4
Received,.....	3	5	5	13
Transferred,,.....	1	2	3	6
Deceased,.....	2		1	3
Number canonically resident.—Presbyters,.....				44
Deacons,.....				4
Total,.....				48

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,.....		4	3	7
New Parishes admitted,.....1		2	4	7
Corner-stones laid,.....1		2	1	4
Consecrations,.....2		3	4	9
Church Accommodations:—Edifices, 40; Sittings, 12,300; Parsonages, 5. Number of Parishes in union, 49.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....214		484	318	1016
Baptisms.—Infants,.....187		432	447	1060
Adults,..... 48		198	123	369
Marriages,.....150		256	155	561
Burials,.....185		249	232	666
Communicants:—Added, 1016; Gone, 277; Net increase, 739; Present number, 2701. Sunday-Schools, 40; Teachers, 342; Scholars, 2557.				

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Episcopal Academy, for Boys, on Grosse Isle. A Charter for a College, but not in operation.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,....				$26,052.67
Annual Income,.....$1,163 30		$1,368 13	$1,727 91	4,261 34
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	549 28	626 50	843 81	2,019 59
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	1,022 60	1,278 62	1,417 40	3,718 26
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,.....	442 00	506 85	468 17	1,417 02
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....	291 79	225 74	265 84	783 37
Communion Alms,.....	1,244 47	1,272 65	1,730 19	4,247 31
Miscellaneous and Special,....	4,814 44	5,250 68	16,833 11	26,898 23
Unspecified,.....	149 00	226 76	1,171 45	1,347 21
Total Capitals,.....				26,052 67
Total Income for the three years,.....				44,692 33

WISCONSIN.

The Church in this Diocese continues to increase in numbers and influence; the Clergy are full of zeal; the flocks to whom they minister faithful and devoted.

Its Clergy number 46:—Bishop, 1; Priests, 44; Deacon, 1. Candidates for Holy Orders, 9. Parishes, 51.

The following Statistics exhibit the work of the Diocese during the last three years:—Ordained to the Diaconate, 10; to the Priesthood, 10. Churches consecrated, 6. Baptisms: Infants, 1,804; Adults, 390; total, 2,194. Confirmations, 1,039. Communicants added, 1,328; whole number, 2,500. Marriages, 412. Burials, 625. Sunday-School Teachers, 300; Scholars, 2,000. Parochial contributions, $53,046.97. Missions: General and Diocesan, $10,042,57. Twelve Clergymen have been received, and eight transferred to other Dioceses.

The Female Seminary at Oconomowoc, under the auspices of the Convention, continues in successful operation, and is justly regarded as an important and highly useful institution, combining, as it does, careful Christian culture with thorough secular education.

Racine College has recently undergone important changes. It is now divided into a Grammar School and a Collegiate Department. From this time forth, the preparatory students of Nashotah House will pursue their studies in the Collegiate Department of this noble Church institution. The Faculty are numerous and able, and the aim of the Board of Trustees is to make Racine College to Wisconsin, what St. James' is to Maryland.

The venerable Bishop of Wisconsin, having resigned his Missionary jurisdiction, it now becomes a duty for the Diocese to provide for the entire support of its Bishop.

Our Episcopal Fund now amounts to $2,888.42, which sum is securely invested, and agents have just been appointed by the Standing Committee to visit the several Parishes, in order to solicit subscriptions to this Fund.

As we cannot hope to obtain enough by this means for the full endowment of the Episcopate of Wisconsin, we shall in all probability be constrained to appeal to the numerous friends of our beloved Diocesan, for aid to enable Wisconsin to furnish to this venerable servant of the Church an adequate support.

Long may his devoted life be spared to bless this Diocese with his counsels and his untiring labors.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Wisconsin, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Jackson Kemper, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers licensed,	1	1	1	3
Candidates for Orders admitted,	3	2	6	11
Present number candidates,				9
Clergy Ordained.—Deacons ordained on three examinations,	1	7	2	10
Presbyters,	3	4	3	10
Totals,	4	11	5	20
Received.—Deacon,	1			1
Presbyters,	7	4	6	17
Totals,	8	4	6	18
Instituted.—Presbyter,	1			1
Transferred.—Presbyters,	5	3	13	21
Number canonically resident.—Deacons,				2
Presbyters,				45
Total,				47

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,	5	4	3	12
New Parishes admitted,	1	1	1	3
Corner-stones laid,	2	2	1	5
Consecrations,	1	3	2	6
Church Accommodations: Edifices, 37; Sittings, 11,100; Parsonages, 14. Number of Parishes in union, 40; Not in union, 10.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	281	497	362	1,120
Baptisms. Infants,	563	703	664	1,930
Adults,	85	157	125	367
Marriages,	111	132	140	383
Burials,	172	210	209	591
Communicants.—Present number, 2,700. Sunday-Schools, 30; Teachers, 200; Scholars, 2300.				

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Nashotah Theological Seminary. St. John's Hall. Racine College. Oconomowoc Seminary for Young Ladies.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,....				$2,[illegible] 42
Annual Income,.....$255 60	$270 64	$346 61	$872 [illegible]
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....1,165 21	544 85	730 35	2,440 41
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....2,438 71	2,298 05	1,934 69	6671 45

IOWA.

The Diocese of Iowa, as will be seen by the accompanying Statistical Table, has made cheering and hopeful progress from year to year, since the last General Convention. Our Bishop has been unceasing in his anxious and laborious work for the extension of the Church, though altogether unusual hindrances have impeded his efforts. Nearly the whole of 1858 was a year of floods and storms. The small streams became rapid rivers, and the condition of the roads and destruction of the bridges rendered a visitation of remote parts of the Diocese next to impossible. Still Central Iowa was visited later in the season, and during the whole year the Parishes made accessible by river and railroad, were often gladdened by his presence and by his kindly encouragement and counsel.

It is needless to speak of the financial depression which has been felt everywhere. It has operated with peculiar and fatal stringency in Iowa, where, for several years the crops partially failed, and in the central portions of the State the farmers have no facilities for getting their produce to market. No class of men feel this state of things more oppressive than the clergy, and no institutions suffer more directly from it than those of religion and the Church.

The "loud and bitter cry" also, of the want of more and faithful ministers, which rises up from all parts of our extended land, ascends with peculiar emphasis and meaning from the great plains of Iowa. The people who have hitherto clustered on the wooded banks of her countless streams, are now pushing out on to the open prairies, and dotting their vast surfaces with their humble homes. Among all these are many of the children of the Church, and the Church must take care of them, or prove unfaithful to her trust. "How shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach unless they be sent?"

Is there no remedy for the evils which are so urgent and daily increasing? Cannot the fathers of the Church suggest a system of itinerancy after the example of the early Apostles of Christ? Can there not be found good and earnest men to enter a duly constituted Order of Itinerants, and so seek out and save to the Church of God many of her children scattered far and wide amid the teeming multitudes of the West?

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Iowa, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Henry W. Lee, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Candidates for Orders admitted,	1	2	1	4
Deacons ordained,	2	2	1	5
Received,		5	2	7
Transferred,		1	4	5
Deposed,			1	1
Presbyters ordained,	4	2	1	7
Received,			2	2
Number canonically resident,				31

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes:—Organized,	7	8	3	18
New Parishes admitted,	7	7	2	16
Corner-stones laid,	4	2	1	7
Consecrations,	2	3	1	6

Church Accommodations.—Edifices, 22; Sittings, 5,000.

Number of Parishes in union, 36.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,	76	186	163	425
Baptisms—Infants,	97	176	206	497
Adults,	23	44	49	116
Marriages,	55	27	42	124
Burials,	81	56	85	222

Communicants.—Added, 635; gone, 392; present number, 1488; net increase, 243.

Sunday-Schools, 30; Teachers, 280; Scholars, 1198.

The Bishop, under direction of the Convention of the Diocese, has negotiated the purchase of a noble site and complete buildings for Collegiate and Theological Education in the city of Davenport, and is raising funds for the object at the present time, and with most cheering prospects of success.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Total.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital, 6000 acres of land.				
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	$77	$213	$348	$638
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....	708	478	381	1567
Miscellaneous and Special.—An—nual Income,.....	1328	3516	2814	7658
Total Income for the three years,.....				$9,863

MINNESOTA.

Territory, 97,000 square miles; Population, 175,000.

The Church in Minnesota was organized at a Convention called by the Missionary Bishop of the North West, at the request of a number of the Clergy, and held September 16th to 18th, 1857, at the city of St. Paul. Fourteen Clergymen and Lay Delegates from fourteen Parishes were present at the Convention. The Diocese of Minnesota was admitted into union at the present Convention.

The first significant Missionary work for the Church in Minnesota was that of the Rev. Messrs. Breck, Wilcoxson, and Merrick, as an Associate Mission, in 1850, under the sanction and oversight of the Missionary Bishop.

In 1853 there were five Missionary Clergy there, besides two Chaplains resident at Forts. In 1857 there were 15 Clergy, three of whom were chaplains, and two Missionaries to the Indians.

At this time there are 19 Presbyters and 2 Deacons, one of the latter "a full-blooded Chippewa."*

The Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., then Rector of a Church in Chicago, Ill., was unanimously elected its Bishop, at the Second Annual Convention held June 29th, 1859, and was consecrated on the 13th of October, at Richmond, Va.

EARLY OCCUPATION.

The presence of the Church was known, and its holy ministrations enjoyed in Minnesota long before its being erected into a Territory. The Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, then and for many years before, Chaplain at Fort Snelling near

* Bishop Kemper's Address.

St. Paul, the capital and focus of the Territory, made there the first movements for gathering and organizing a Parish within its limits, viz., the Parish of Christ Church, St. Paul. He represents the Diocese as one of the Deputies to this Convention.

Under the active and extended itinerancy of the Associate Mission, and soon after of the Rev. J. S. Chamberlaine, the Church was known and its blessings dispensed over a very large extent of the new Territory along with the first advances of its settlement: and advantages were thus secured and a blessing won, which can scarcely be over-estimated. The Church is everywhere known in Minnesota and respected.

Much valuable property has been acquired by the Church in virtue of this early occupation—sites for Churches, Parsonages, and Schools, and lands available for the promotion of its general weal.

For this result, the Church owes a large debt of gratitude to the Rev. Mr. Breck and his associates, and to the Rev. Mr. Chamberlaine, as well as to those whose bounty enabled them to achieve it.

The population of the State is made up very largely of the foreign element; and it is only by the infusion into this mass of the intelligent and Christian emigration from our older States—removing thither from whatever motive—that its nationality, as well as its subjection to our Lord and Saviour, through his Church, could, humanly speaking, be secured.

The first settlers were Canadian French. A very large proportion of the population is Roman Catholic—French, German, and Irish. There are large colonies of Swedes and Norwegians, and many German Lutherans. The extreme healthfulness of its climate and the fertility of its soil, have already attracted to it a population of about one hundred and seventy-five thousand; and to plant the Church everywhere among them needs only now the nursing care of our brethren in the older States for a few more years.

INSTITUTIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

The Minnesota Church Foundation is a Board of Trustees, organized under a Charter approved by the Convention, and accredited and regulated by Canon as the

organ of the Diocese, and its Trustee and Depository for holding and managing gifts of money and lands for the use of the Church therein.

No lands entrusted to this Board can be alienated or appropriated, or the proceeds of the same applied, without the written consent and approval of the Bishop of the Diocese, who has also the right of visitation. Its actings and doings are open to the inspection of the Convention.

The St. Anthony Falls Mission, under the Rev. Mr. Chamberlaine, is also an incorporated Board, for like purposes, but mainly occupied with Church building.

The Associate Mission, under the Rev. Mr. Breck, first having its centre at the city of St. Paul, then for several years in the Indian Country, and now at Farribault, about fifty miles southwest from St. Paul, holds lands and buildings in the Indian Country, and also at Farribault, where a flourishing School is now in active operation, while a member of the Association resides near the Indian Country, and a Deacon (Chippewa), under his direction, occupies the Mission Station among his people.

Christ Church Orphans' Home and Hospital for Minnesota, located at St. Paul, has, under a charter, acquired some valuable property by donations for the sacred works which its title indicates.

Neither of the three last-named institutions are as yet connected with the Convention of the Diocese.

The Church property originally purchased by the Rev. Mr. Breck, with bounty entrusted to him by the Church, and held by him in trust, was by him conveyed, under the same tenure, to the Rev. Dr. Van Ingen on his removal to Minnesota, and again conveyed by the latter to a Board of Trustees, organized under a charter presented by Dr. Van Ingen to the Primary Convention, and by it approved. This Board is the Minnesota Church Foundation, referred to above, and recognized by Canon.

The Statistical Report from the Diocese is, almost necessarily, imperfect. One of the largest and most liberal Parishes has made no report of its Contributions, beyond that of a single sum for a Parochial purpose. The Journals of 1858–59 show the following:—

Confirmations, (in 1858, 107, in 1859, 109).....	216
Baptisms, 1858–9 (Infants, 296; Adults, 84),.....	380

Communicants (increase in one year, 155),	597
Marriages,	64
Burials,	101
Parishes,	25
Church Edifices,	18
Sunday-School Teachers,	48
Scholars,	474
Total Contributions for Church objects, Diocesan and general, actually reported in 1858,	$7,149 24
Ditto, reported in 1859,	8,268 23
To these must be added at least this sum, contributed for Church building,	8,000 00
Total,	$23,417 47

Clergy.—1 Bishop, 19 Presbyters, 2 Deacons (White, 1, Chippewa, 1).

There have been in all 29 Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in Minnesota from the beginning of Missionary work therein; of these, *one* has left the Ministry, and only seven have removed to other fields.

TABULAR DIGEST

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Right Rev. Henry B. Whipple, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Deacons ordained,		2		2
Presbyters ordained,		1		1
Number canonically resident,	15	22	21	

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,	14	2	9	25
New Parishes admitted,		2	9	11
Corner-stones laid,	1		4	5
Consecrations	1	3	6	10
Church accommodations.—Edifices, 18. Number of Parishes in union, 25; many stations not organized.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,		107	109	216
Baptisms.—Infants,		159	137	296
Adults,		50	34	84
Marriages,		30	34	64
Burials,		55	46	101
Communicants,		442	597	597
Net increase,				155
Sunday-Schools, 1859.—Teachers,				48
Scholars,				474

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,	—	$150 92	$58 63	$209 55
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,	—	158 22	69 04	227 26
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,	—	8 70	13 00	21 70
Educational Fund.—Annual Income,	—	36 13	60 15	96 28
Miscellaneous and Special.—Annual Income,	—	6,795 00	8,169 41	15,964 41
Total Income for the two years,				16,519 18

There is no report of contributions from St. Paul's Parish, St. Paul's, except $1,100 for Church building, although it has been the principal contributing Parish in the Diocese. The same Parish has also paid about $8,000 in the last three years for the erection of its Church edifice, which would increase the above total.

CALIFORNIA.

In February, 1857, the Right Rev. Wm. Ingraham Kip, D.D., then Missionary Bishop, was, by the unanimous vote of both Orders, represented in Convention, elected Bishop of the Diocese. He accepted in July following, and has since been its Diocesan.

It is impossible to present an exact Table of the Statistics of this Diocese from the Parochial Reports at Convention, as the annual meeting is held in the beginning of May. Five months, therefore, have elapsed since the last Statistics were collected. The following is the nearest approximation which can be made.

Ordinations.—Deacons, 4; Priests, 2; Total, 6. Candidates for Orders, 3. Clergy.—Bishop, 1; Presbyters, 11; Deacons, 2; Total, 14. Parishes, 17. Church Edifices, 9. Baptisms.—Adults, 78; Infants, 731; Total, 809. Confirmed, 291. Marriages, 305. Burials, 287. Communicants, 733. Sunday-School Teachers, 110; Scholars, 859. Collections.—Diocesan Fund, $639.00; Diocesan Missions, (one year), $705.00; General Domestic Missions, 818.79; General Foreign Missions, $76.75; Parochial Purposes, etc., $28,686.45; Total, $37,883.86.

The Episcopal Fund amounts to only $371.75, and the

interest is not to be used until the principal has been increased to $10,000.

Besides the above fourteen Clergy, there is one (Rev. Dr. Hatch) laboring in this Diocese, who is canonically connected with the Diocese of Missouri.

There are two Seminaries under the influence of the Church, both situated in San Francisco. San Francisco College (for boys) is under the charge of the Rev. John Chittenden, (late of St. John's College, Cambridge), assisted by a gentlemen lately of Oxford University. St. Mary's Female Seminary is under the charge of the Rev. Dr. Ver Mehr.

The number of Communicants (733) given above, is only the number of those who are reported from the different Parishes. There are probably as many more dispersed through the State and registered in no Parishes. There are but seventeen Parishes scattered over a country nine hundred miles in extent, while in every little hamlet and mining town are found some who were Communicants of the Church at home. It will be seen, by comparing this report with that made to the General Convention in 1856, that in every particular exhibiting its strength, the Diocese has doubled in its Statistics. With fostering care from the East, so as to allow an increase of the Clergy, the same result, with God's blessing, will be attained in the next three years.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of California, to the General Convention of 1859.

Right Rev. Wm. Ingraham Kip, D.D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, AND LAY READERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THREE PAST YEARS, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Lay Readers licensed,	3	3	2	8
Present number Lay Readers,				4
Candidates for Orders admitted,	4	1	2	7
Present Number of Candidates,				3
This includes one Candidate not reported before, admitted in October, 1856.				
Deacons, Ordained on one examination	1	1		2
Ordained on three examinations,	1	1		2
Presbyters, Ordained,	1	1	1	3
Received,	2	2		4
Transferred,	4	2		6

Number Canonically Resident.—Deacons,..... 2
Presbyters,.....10
Total,.....12

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Parishes.—Organized,.....	5	3	1	9
New Parishes admitted,.....	5		4	9
Corner-stones laid,.....		2		2
Consecrations,.....	2	1		3
Church Accommodations:—Edifices, 10; Sittings, 2,400;* Parsonages, 1. Number of Parishes in union, 20.				
Parochial Statistics.—Confirmations,.....	76	83	129	288
Baptisms.—Infants,.....	224	225	282	731
Adults,.....	21	15	42	78
Marriages,.....	109	82	123	305
Burials,.....	65	91	131	287
Communicants:—Added, 616; Gone, 258; Present number, 733: Net increase, 358. Sunday-Schools, 9; Teachers, 110; Scholars, 859.				

DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

One School for Young Ladies, in San Francisco. Rev. J. L. Ver Mehr, Rector. One School for Young Gentleman, in San Francisco. Rev. J. Chittenden, Deacon, Principal. The above, though not recognized by the Convention of the Diocese, may be considered as partaking of the character of Diocesan Institutions.

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.—CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.

	1857	1858	1859	Totals.
Episcopal Fund.—Capital,....				$371 75
Diocesan Fund.—Annual Income,.....	$265 00	$146 00	$228 00	639 00
Diocesan Missions.—Annual Income,.....			705 00	705 00
General Domestic Missions.—Annual Income,.....	200 00	359 65	259 14	818 79
General Foreign Missions.—Annual Income,.....		30 00	46 75	76 75
Miscellaneous and Special,....	2,799 00	958 10	3,200 77	6,957 87
Unspecified,.....		6,970 72	21,715 83	28,686 45
Total Income for the three years,.....				37,883 86

* An approximation only has been made to the number of sittings. One Edifice has been hired, and another which has been counted is a one-story brick building furnished for a Church.

TABULAR VIEW NO. I.—ABSTRACT OF DIOCESAN REPORTS AND EPISCOPAL ACTS.

Dioceses.	Bishops.	Lay Readers.	Candidates for Orders.	Clergy Canonically resident.				Ordinations.		Clerical Changes.				Parishes.		Church Edifices.				Confirmations.	Baptisms.			Marriages.	Burials.	Communicants.	Sunday Schools.	
				Bishops.	Presbyters.	Deacons.	Total.	Deacons.	Presbyters.	Received.	Transferred.	Died.	Susp. or Dep.	New.	Total.	Consecrated (new).	Whole number.	Sittings.	Parsonages.		Infants.	Adults.	Total.				Teachers.	Scholars.
Maine	George Burgess, D.D.		3	1	17	1	19	3	5	4	9			2	17	3	17	6,700		555	769	273	1,042	180	412	1,442	192	1,208
New Hampshire	Carlton Chase, D.D.			1	14		15	1	1	3	1			1	14	1	14		2	232	286	92	378	71	141	726	59	483
Vermont	John H. Hopkins, D.D.	16	3	1	25	2	28	6	5	6	3			3	38	1	31	4,000	5	569	413	243	656	176	327	1,998		1,331
Massachusetts	Manton Eastburn, D.D.		9	1	77	2	83	7	12				5	8	71	3				2,163	3,711	559	4,270	1,185	2,161	7,780		5,721
Rhode Island	Thomas M. Clark, D.D.	7	7	1	26	4	31	7	3	7	12			1	30	5	30	11,600	6	899	893	420	1,313	425	772	3,142	352	2,665
Connecticut	T. C. Brownell, D.D. / J. Williams, D.D.		23	2	118	11	131	28	28	17	31	6		5	118	7	13			2,024	3,261	963	4,224	1,195	2,692	11,575	1,229	7,577
New York	Horatio Potter, D.D.		55	2			332	42	20	71	69	8		9	281	17				8,769	15,061	2,273	17,334	4,516	7,127	24,491	2,450	24,268
W. New York	Wm. H. DeLancey, D.D.		19	1	126	11	138	13	10	35	27	5	1	9	150	5	130		55	2,063	4,038	1,209	5,247	1,295	2,222	10,834	1,221	6,773
New Jersey	W. H. Odenheimer, D.D.		11	1	87	15	103	15	8	32	23	5			85	5				1,756	2,864	623	3,489	556	1,486	5,000	504	4,410
Pennsylvania	Alonzo Potter, D.D. / Sam'l Bowman, D.D.		26	2	168	25	193	39	30	41	40	6	2	25	201	21	72		44	4,834	8,803	1,554	10,357	2,302	4,467	14,106	2,059	19,753
Delaware	Alfred Lee, D.D.	1	1	1	14	4	19	7	4	10	9	1		1	25	4	27	7,200	4	335	824	119	943	191	409	992	277	2,181
Maryland	W. R. Whittingham, D.D.	27	18	1	148	11	159	16	15	36	33	6			126	13	172	45,000		3,076	7,054	541	7,695	1,717	2,835	10,580		
Virginia	Wm. Meade, D.D. / John Johns, D.D.		18	2			113	25	19			6	3		150	13	174		50	2,165	3,029	568	3,597	1,100	2,019	7,487	892	5,697
North Carolina	Thomas C. Atkinson, D.D.	30	11	1	34	12	47	9	9	14	19	2	2	4	63	6	67		18	1,015	1,680	351	2,031	253	652	3,036		1,294
South Carolina	Thomas F. Davis, D.D.		10	1	68	6	75	8	4	8	10	4	2	8	70	12	75		17	1,942	3,657	1,088	4,745	667	1,404	5,672	274	2,346
Georgia	Stephen Elliott, D.D.		4	1	25		26	2	2	8	5			3	27	1	25		9	482	857	216	1,073	227	544	1,998	159	1,526
Florida	Francis H. Rutledge, D.D.	6	1	1	7		8		1	5	2	1		3	15	1	10		4	183	376	58	434	72	171	630	80	600
Alabama	N. H. Cobbs, D.D.		8	1	24	5	30	5	3	6	10			8	37	5				581	1,107	280	1,387	254	537	1,673	143	930
Mississippi	Wm. M. Green, D.D.	1	2	1	29	2	32	4	2	18	21	3	1	7	35	4	21		8	528	1,080	378	1,458	322	308	1,400	82	588
Louisiana	Leonidas Polk, D.D.		2	1	33	2	36	4	4	14	12	1		6	42	5				737	2,693	291	2,984	751	543	1,667	141	1,455
Texas	Alexander Gregg, D.D.	2	2	1	12		13	2	1	5	4	2		3	24		11		1	70	384	37	421	110	91	700	90	643
Tennessee	Jas. H. Otey, D.D.		6	1	24	2	27	4		7	5	2		3	21	2	21		3	458	886	202	1,088	170	313	1,300		756
Kentucky	Benj. B. Smith, D.D.	5	6	1			32	4	5	8	10		2	6	33	1	29	7,650	3	713	1,070	256	1,326	182	513	1,936	301	2,254
Ohio	C. P. McIlvaine, D.D. / G. T. Bedell, D.D.		15	2	77	5	84	14	8	21	26	2	2	6	95	6	76			1,143	1,907	433	2,340	781	1,237	6,680	807	5,731
Indiana	Geo. Upfold, D.D.		3	1	24	4	29	5	6	11	11	2			29	2	24			389	622	132	754	187	346	1,193	158	1,036
Illinois	H. J. Whitehouse, D.D.	12	5	1	58	2	61	4	6	38	24	3		17	96	12			13	1,231	1,939	368	2,307	651	812	3,000	516	2,893
Missouri	Cicero S. Hawks, D.D.	4	5	1	25	2	28	1	3	10	6	1		6	29	6	16	6,870	6	373	745	153	898	221	360	1,893	153	916
Kansas			1		10	1	11	1							17	3	4			30	50		50			160		
Michigan	Sam'l A. McCoskry, D.D.	10	3	1	44	4	49	6	4	13	8	3		7	49	9	40	12,300	5	1,016	1,066	369	1,435	561	666	2,701	312	2,467
Wisconsin	Jackson Kemper, D.D.		9	1	44	1	46	10	10	12	8	1			51	6	48	11,100		1,039	1,804	390	2,194	412	625	2,500	300	2,000
Iowa	Henry W. Lee, D.D.			1			32	5	7	9	5		1	16	36	6	22	5,000		425	497	116	613	121	222	1,488	220	1,128
Minnesota	Henry B. Whipple, D.D.		2	1	19	2	22								23	10	18			216	296	84	380	64	101	597	48	479
California	Wm. I. Kip, D.D.		3	1	10	2	13	4	3						20	3	8	2,400	1	258	731	78	809	305	287	733	110	588

TABULAR VIEW NO. II.—COMPARATIVE VIEW OF STATI OF 1856 AND 1859.

Dioceses.	Candidates for Orders.		Clergy.		Deacons ordained.		Confirmed.		Baptisms.				Communicants.		Gain or loss of Communicants, from 1856 to 1859.		Total Contributions reported.	
									Infants.		Adults.							
	1856.	1859.	1856.	1859.	1856.	1859.	1856.	1859.	1856.	1859.	1856.	1859.	1856.	1859.	Net gain.	Gain per ct.	1856.	1859.
Maine	4	3	18	19	6	3	273	255	386	789	134	273	996	1,442	446	45	$11,398 72	$16,520 89
New Hampshire	1		14	15			132	232	165	286	40	92	581	726	145	25	5,039 61	4,453 46
Vermont	2	3	20	28	1	6	220	269	293	413	96	243	1,929	1,998	69	3	12,116 00	21,727 92
Massachusetts	9	9	77	83	7	7	900	2,183	2,804	3,711	236	559	6,027	7,780	1,753	29	114,208 87	49,735 00
Rhode Island	2	7	32	31	3	7	458	899	675	893	233	430	2,736	3,142	406	15	30,000 00	35,297 15
Connecticut	27	23	122	131	26	25	1,938	2,024	2,721	3,281	697	963	10,380	11,575	1,195	11	104,234 71	261,964 47
New York	36	55	309	332	49	43	5,778	8,769	12,398	15,061	1,407	2,275	22,549	24,491	1,942	9	646,411 92	1,066,588 14
W. New York	14	19	120	138	10	13	2,294	2,083	3,268	4,033	870	1,209	9,226	10,834	1,608	17	42,621 00	221,818 91
New Jersey	14	11	80	103	9	15	1,411	1,756	2,304	2,964	309	625	4,332	5,000	668	15		134,331 88
Pennsylvania	28	26	161	193	21	39	3,242	4,834	8,002	8,803	1,016	1,554	12,816	14,106	1,290	10	394,125 28	426,921 22
Delaware	3	1	19	19	3	7	279	338	468	824	69	119	813	992	179	22	38,032 24	78,005 87
Maryland	16	18	147	159	11	16	2,511	3,076	6,043	7,154	621	691	9,596	10,580	984	10	197,000 00	393,395 00
Virginia	12	16	111	113	20	25	1,400	2,165	2,371	3,022	482	568	6,927	7,487	960	15	135,877 89	192,221 89
North Carolina	7	11	45	47	10	9	804	1,015	1,918	1,680	370	351	2,475	3,036	561	22	63,751 63	86,775 68
South Carolina	8	10	70	75	6	8	1,853	1,942	2,978	3,657	891	1,088	5,993	5,672			65,228 00	115,573 00
Georgia	5	4	22	26	2	2	577	482		857		216	1,736	1,998	262	15	36,880 43	59,513 28
Florida		1	7	8	2	2	210	183		378		65	515	630	115	22	11,688 98	abt 20,000 00
Alabama	4	8	25	30	6	5	647	681	1,296	1,107	275	230	1,461	1,673	212	14	34,611 99	21,700 10
Mississippi	4	2	31	32	4	4	491	628	1,112	1,080	406	375	1,037	1,400	363	35	35,123 00	88,944 75
Louisiana	3	2	32	36	1	4	550	737		2,693		291	1,431	1,697	266	17	45,000 00	49,805 37
Texas		2	13	13	2	2	165	70	238	384	49	37	500	700			12,723 00	44,290 00
Tennessee	4	6	21	27	3	4	291	458	664	886	119	202	862	1,300	438	51	21,782 00	66,022 16
Kentucky	2	6	31	32	6	4	513	715	800	1,070	193	256	1,465	1,936	471	32	62,519 23	96,869 43
Ohio	15	15	86	84	16	14	1,212	1,143	1,492	1,907	268	433	4,992	6,680	688	13	132,860 00	100,925 18
Indiana	4	3	24	29	5	5	364	389	520	622	136	193	1,035	1,192	134	13	18,104 35	46,652 58
Illinois	9	5	49	61	4	4	733	1,231	1,272	1,930	368	368	2,393	3,000	607	25	7,470 23	39,789 00
Missouri	3	5	23	25	5	1	320	573	572	745	153	169	1,026	1,305	279	27	63,612 41	72,340 00
Michigan	2	3	40	49	6	6	404	1,016	914	1,066	196	369	1,962	2,701	739	37	18,378 65	16,446 89
Wisconsin	12	9	46	46	8	10	468	1,039		1,804		390	1,172	2,500	1,328	113	34,290 23	
Iowa	3		20	32	1	5	132	425		497		116	500	1,488	988	198	21,788 98	9,863 00
California			10	13	1	4	116	284	350	731	22	75	383	733	350	97		37,883 86
Kansas		1		11		1		30		60				160	160			

TABULAR VIEW.—No. III.

INCREASE IN FIFTEEN YEARS.

	In 1844.	In 1859.
Total number of Clergy reported	1,096	2,065
Candidates for Orders	203	291
Deacons Ordained	191	301
Churches Consecrated	143	198
Communicants	72,099	139,611
Parishes reported: in 1853, in 22 Dioceses, 1150		2,120
Dioceses	24	33

SUMMARY AND COMPARATIVE VIEWS OF CHIEF ITEMS.

1841

Clergy in 25 Dioceses		1,052
Baptisms,	Adults, in 14 Dioceses..... 4,729 Infants, in 14 Dioceses.....22,496 Not specified, in 9 Dioceses... 7,240	34,465
Communicants added in 9 Dioceses		3,678
Total of Communicants in 25 Dioceses		55,427
Marriages in 17 Dioceses		8,604
Burials in 14 Dioceses		14,961
Sunday-School Teachers in 10 Dioceses		3,974
Sunday-School Pupils in 11 Dioceses		32,265
Clergy Deceased in 11 Dioceses		28

1844

Clergy in 24 Dioceses...(Number in 3 Dioceses not reported)		1,096
Baptisms,	Adults, in 19 Dioceses..... 7,807 Infants, in 19 Dioceses.....30,254 Not specified, in 3 Dioceses... 1,058	39,119
Communicants added in 12 Dioceses		12,490
Total of Communicants in 26 Dioceses		72,099
Marriages in 17 Dioceses		8,036
Burials in 17 Dioceses		14,330
Sunday-School Teachers in 13 Dioceses		5,037
Sunday-School Pupils in 14 Dioceses		40,012
Clergy Deceased in 8 Dioceses		31

1847

Clergy in 28 Dioceses		1,404
Baptisms,	Adults, in 21 Dioceses..... 4,408 Infants, in 21 Dioceses..... 23,551 Not specified, in 7 Dioceses... 5,815	33,774

Communicants added in 11 Dioceses	5,125
Total of Communicants in 27 Dioceses	67,550
Marriages in 19 Dioceses	6,826
Burials in 19 Dioceses	12,814
Sunday-School Teachers in 16 Dioceses	5,279
Sunday-School Pupils in 18 Dioceses	39,437
Clergy Deceased in 15 Dioceses	34

1850

Clergy in 29 Dioceses		1,536
Baptisms,	Adults, in 24 Dioceses 5,957 Infants, in 24 Dioceses 33,072 Not specified, in 4 Dioceses.. 3,896	42,925
Communicants added in 8 Dioceses		4,987
Total Communicants in 28 Dioceses		79,862
Marriages in 20 Dioceses		3,420
Burials in 20 Dioceses		16,233
Sunday-School Teachers in 17 Dioceses		4,520
Sunday-School Pupils in 19 Dioceses		38,663
Clergy Deceased in 16 Dioceses		43

1853

Clergy in 30 Dioceses		1,651
Baptisms,	Infants, in 24 Dioceses 39,565 Adults, in 24 Dioceses 6,531 Not specified, in 4 Dioceses.. 2,061	48,157
Communicants added in 11 Dioceses		8,802
Total Communicants in 30 Dioceses		105,136
Marriages in 24 Dioceses		12,974
Funerals in 24 Dioceses		23,558
Sunday-School Teachers in 18 Dioceses		5,531
Sunday-School Scholars in 22 Dioceses		62,376
Clergy Deceased in 18 Dioceses		42
Number of Churches in 7 Dioceses		454
Number of Parishes and Congregations in 22 Dioceses		1,150
Parsonages added in 5 Dioceses		34
Number of Parsonages in 3 Dioceses		84

1856

Clergy in 31 Dioceses		1,828
Baptisms,	Infants, in 26 Dioceses 56,132 Adults, in 26 Dioceses 9,542 Not specified, in 4 Dioceses.. 4,853	70,527
Communicants in 31 Dioceses		119,540
Marriages in 30 Dioceses		21,334
Funerals in 30 Dioceses		36,925
Sunday-School Teachers in 20 Dioceses		9,235
Sunday-School Scholars in 25 Dioceses		82,014
Clergy Deceased in 22 Dioceses		58
Number of Churches in 6 Dioceses		335
Number of Parishes in 29 Dioceses		1,825
Number of Parsonages in 7 Dioceses		109

1859

Clergy in 33 Dioceses	2,065
Baptisms, { Infants, in 33 Dioceses.....74,553 / Adults, in 33 Dioceses.....14,729 }	89,282
Communicants in 33 Dioceses	139,611
Marriages in 32 Dioceses	21,226
Burials in 32 Dioceses	37,021
Sunday-School Teachers in 27 Dioceses	14,019
Sunday-School Scholars in 31 Dioceses	113,912
Clergy Deceased in 22 Dioceses	75
Number of Churches in 27 Dioceses	1,395
Number of Parishes in 33 Dioceses	2,120
Number of Parsonages in 19 Dioceses	254

Appendix C.

Dr. *The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church*

1856.			
Sept. 9,	To Balance due Treasurer per last acct. rendered,.....		$761 68
Oct. 8,	" Cash paid R. Douke, bill for spreading Tan on street in front of St. Luke's Church, Philada., No. 1,..	$50 00	
"	" Ditto, Billin & Bros. bill, June 27, 1855, for printing per order, No. 2,	65 91	
"	" Ditto, ditto, Jan. 3, 1856, ditto, No. 3,	19 34	
"	" Ditto paid Hugh Davy Evans for printing, by order of the Committee on the Judicial System of the Church, No. 4,.....	25 00	
"	" Ditto paid Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D.D., bill for post-office stamps, and for wrapping copies of Report of same Committee, No. 5,.....	9 00	
			169 25
Oct. 10,	" Ditto paid H. Colburn, Agt. of Gen. Prot. Epis. S. S. Union Book Society, for printing ordered by Rev. Dr. Wainright, May 7, 1852, and Dec. 31, 1853, No. 6,.....	87 39	
"	" Ditto paid discount on draft for $180 on Waterloo, West. N. York, received in payment of quota of that Diocese,.....	1 35	
"	" Ditto paid Henry Barclay, Sexton of St. Luke's Church, Philada., for sundry small bills of expense, No. 7,	104 54	
"	" Ditto, ditto, in advance, for the payment of sundry bills on account of the Convention, per vouchers, No. 8,.....	154 20	
			347 48
Nov. 6,	" Ditto, paid D. M. Hogan, bill for Stationery, No. 9,.....		115 60
Dec. 16,	" Ditto paid order in favor of Rev. J. A. Childs, for copying documents for printers, No. 10,.....		30 00
1857.			
June 4,	" Ditto paid King & Baird on acct. of printing Journal, &c., bill $2,875, No. 11,.....		1,800 00
Dec. 12,	" Ditto paid S. Hanmer & Co., for advertising in "The Calendar" the meeting of the Gen'l Convention, No. 12,.....		1 50
	Carried forward,.....		$3,225 51

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

in the United States, in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. Cr.

1856.			
Oct. 23,	By Cash received from the following Dioceses, viz.:		
	From Maine, quota for Convention of 1856,.....	$27 00	
	Additional assessment by resolution, 1856,.....	9	
			$36 00
"	From N. Hampshire, quota 1856..	18 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	6 00	
			24 00
Nov. 30,	From Vermont, quota for 1856,...	30 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	10 00	
			40 00
Oct. 23,	From Massachusetts, quota 1856,..	115 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	38 50	
			154 00
"	From Rhode Island, quota 1856,...	46 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	15 50	
			62 00
	From Connecticut, quota 1856,....	183 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	unpaid.	
			183 00
"	From West. N. York, quota 1856,.	180 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	60 00	
			240 00
Sept. 23,	From New York, quota 1856,.....	456 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	152 00	
			608 00
1857.			
June 1,	From New Jersey, quota 1853,....	67 00	
	Ditto, ditto, quota 1856,....	121 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	40 50	
			229 00
Feb. 8,	From Pennsylvania, quota 1856,...	241 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	80 50	
			322 00
1856.			
Oct. 23,	From Delaware, quota 1856,.....	27 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	9 00	
			36 00
"	From Maryland, quota 1856,.....	220 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	unpaid.	
			220 50
"	From Virginia, quota 1856,.....	166 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	55 50	
			222 00
"	From North Carolina, quota 1856,.	66 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	22 00	
			88 00
	Carried forward,.....		$2,464 50

DR. *The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church*

1858.	To Amount brought forward,.....		$3,225 51
Feb. 26,	" Ditto paid King & Baird, on account of their bill, No. 11,.....	125 00	
1859.			
Sept. 3,	" Ditto, ditto, in full of said bill, No. 11.....	950 00	
			1,075 00
	Carried forward,.....		$4,300 51

in the United States, in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. Cr.

1856.			
Oct. 23,	By Amount brought forward,.....		$2,464 50
"	From South Carolina, quota 1856,.	$105 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	35 00	
"			140 00
	From Georgia, quota 1856,.....	33 03	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	11 00	
1858.			44 00
Feb. 28,	From Florida, quota 1856,.....	10 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	3 50	
1856.			14 00
Oct. 23,	From Alabama, quota 1856,.....	40 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	15 50	
			56 00
"	From Mississippi, quota 1856,.....	49 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	unpaid.	
			49 50
"	From Louisiana, quota 1856,.....	40 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	13 50	
1857			54 00
Aug. 3,	From Texas, quota 1856,.....	24 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	8 00	
1856.			32 00
Oct. 23,	From Tennessee, quota 1856.....	30 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	unpaid.	
			30 00
"	From Kentucky, quota 1856,.....	46 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	15 50	
			62 00
"	From Ohio, quota for 1856,.....	129 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	43 00	
			172 00
"	From Indiana, quota 1856,.....	unpaid.	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	unpaid.	
"	From Illinois, quota 1856,.....	72 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	24 00	
			96 00
"	From Missouri, quota 1856,.....	30 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	10 00	
			40 00
"	From Michigan, quota 1856,.....	54 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	18 00	
			72 00
"	From Wisconsin, quota 1856,.....	63 00	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	unpaid.	
			63 00
"	From Iowa, quota 1856,.....	25 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	8 50	
			34 00
	Carried forward,.....		$3,423 00

Or. *The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church*

1859.	To Amount brought forward,.....	$4,300 51
		$4,300 51
Sept. 3,	To Balance due the Treasurer this day,.	$863 51

Note.—The following named Dioceses, it will be seen in the foregoing account, are still in arrears at this time for their respective quotas for the Convention of 1856, viz.:

Connecticut, for additional assessment of that year (since paid),	$61 00
Maryland, " " " " "	73 50
Mississippi, " " " " "	16 50
Tennessee, " " " " "	10 00
Indiana, for quota of 1856, " "	34 50
" Additional assessment of 1856, " "	11 50
Wisconsin, for " " "	21 00
Total	**$228 00**

These arrearages, when all paid up, will reduce the apparent deficiency in the revenue for 1856, as stated above, from $863.51 to $635.51. And this last-named sum belongs in fact to the deficiency for 1853, included in the balance due the Treasurer on the 9th Sept., 1856, as do also the three bills in the above account, numbered 2, 3, and 6, amounting together to $172.64—making the total deficiency, prior to the Convention of 1856, say $808.15.

HERMAN COPE,

Philadelphia, Sept. 3, 1859. *Treasurer.*

in the United States, in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. CR.

1859.			
Oct. 23,	By Amount brought forward,.....		$3,423 00
"	From California, quota 1856,.....	10 50	
	Additional assessment ditto,....	3 50	
			14 00
	By Balance,.....		$863 51
			$4,300 51

NOTE.—The following additional sums have been received from the Dioceses named, for their respective quotas for the payment of the expenses of the General Convention of 1859, under Canon VIII. of 1856, viz.:

1859.			
Aug. 25,	From Diocese of Alabama, quota 1859,.	$62	
Sept. 9,	Diocese of New York, ditto,.....	642	
" 19,	Diocese of Missouri, ditto,.....	52	
" 20,	Diocese of Georgia, ditto,.....	52	
			$808 00
" 29,	Diocese of Maryland, additional assessment for 1856,.....		73 50
			$881 50

HERMAN COPE,
Treasurer.

Richmond, Va., October 4th, 1859.

Appendix D.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION, OCTOBER, 1859.

DOMESTIC COMMITTEE'S SUMMARY.

I. FUNDS.

Receipts, Oct. 1, 1856, to Oct. 1, 1857, twelve months, ...						$55,586 93
"	"	1857,	"	1858,	" ...	53,713 71
"	"	1858,	"	1859,	" ...	60,891 31
						$170,191 95

In the previous three years, $127,756 92.

Payments, Oct. 1, 1856, to Oct. 1, 1857, twelve months,...						$54,055 87
"	"	1857,	"	1858,	" ...	53,849 47
"	"	1858,	"	1859,	" ...	55,287 83
						$163,193 17

In the previous three years, $134,847 73.

II. MISSIONS.

	Stations.	Missionaries.
1857,.....	140	128
1858,.....	145	124
1859,.....	144	123

FOREIGN COMMITTEE'S SUMMARY.

I. FUNDS.

Receipts, Oct. 1, 1856, to Oct. 1, 1857, twelve months,...						$70,673 60
"	"	1857,	"	1858,	" ...	67,814 68
"	"	1858,	"	1859,	" ...	99,476 16
						$237,964 44

Previous three years and three and a half months, $200,764 08.

Payments, Oct. 1, 1856, to Oct. 1, 1857, twelve months,...						$73,882 07
"	"	1857,	"	1858,	" ...	68,821 42
"	"	1858,	"	1859,	" ...	98,545 33
						$241,248 82

Previous three years and three and a half months, $203,280 02.

II. MISSIONS.

Principal Stations.	Missionaries.	Assistants.	Candidates for Orders.	Communicants.	Pupils.
Greece,.....	1	2			about 500
Africa, ...	11	39	6	332	606
China, ...	12	15	3	70	about 150
Japan, ...	2				
Brazil,.....	1				

WM. MEADE, *Chairman.*
P. VAN PE[illegible]T, *Secretary.*

Appendix E.—1.

REPORT OF THE RIGHT REV. JACKSON KEMPER, D.D., AS MISSIONARY BISHOP FOR THE NORTH-WEST.

DEAR BRETHREN:

Since my last Report to the Church, which was dated 9th October, 1858, I have been twice to Minnesota and twice to Kansas. Both these Missionary Districts have been organized into Dioceses, and will apply as Dioceses for admission into union with the General Convention at this present Session.

Minnesota, with its bracing and healthy climate, and its intelligent population, presents a fine field for the Church. It has now twenty Clergymen, seventeen consecrated Churches, and at least twenty-two organized Parishes, with several Stations of great promise.

During the past year, dating from the last meeting of the Board of Missions, the Rev. Edward R. Welles was received into Minnesota from the Diocese of Western New York, and the Rev. John N. Fitch, from Vermont, while the Rev. D. P. Sanford was transferred to Connecticut, the Deacon the Rev. B. S. Judd, to Tennessee, and the Rev. Dudley Chase to Iowa. There are at present three Candidates for Holy Orders, viz.: George Barnhart, George C. Tanner, and Charles W. Clinton. Mr. George T. Williams was for a short time a Candidate with us, but has been transferred to the Diocese of Virginia.

I have laid with due solemnity the corner-stones of Churches to be built, at Nunah, Anoka, Hassan (crow wood), and Red-wing.

Ninety-one persons have been confirmed. At Minneapolis, 25; at St. Cloud, 3; at Nunah, 2; at Hassen, 7; at Northfield, 1; at Faribault, 18; at St. Peter, 1; at Shakopee, 3; at Red-wing, 11; at Stillwater, 1; at Hastings, 6; at Christ Church, in the City of St. Paul, 5; at Minnetonka Falls, 2; at Chanhassan, 3; at Belle Plaine, 2; and at St. Paul's Church, in the city of St. Paul, 10.

There have been two Ordinations. On the 23d June of this present year, I admitted, in the Church of Gethsemane, at Minneapolis, Mr. M. L. Olds to the Diaconate. At that interesting occasion the sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Gear, while the Rev. Messrs. Fitch, Jones, Gray, and Knickerbacker, were present, and took part in the solemn services. On 3d July, at Faribault, amidst circumstances of the deepest interest, the Chippewa, John Johnson Emmegabowh, became a commissioned Herald of the Cross, by the laying on of my hands. He was educated while a youth by the respectable denomination of Methodists, and has for many years been attached to the Indian Mission at Gull Lake, as interpreter, where he was under the frequent and in some respects almost daily observation of the Rev. Messrs. Breck, Peake, and Manney. As they considered him apt and meet to exercise the Ministry, I ordained him with much pleasure.

It is probably unnecessary and perhaps inexpedient to describe the present position and future prospects of the Clergy of Minnesota. Not a few of them have worked most admirably and successfully. They will soon, I trust in God, have in their midst, and for life, an apostolic Bishop of their own unanimous and hearty choice, and under

whose administration, I believe, the Diocese will flourish as a garden of the Lord. Innumerable difficulties will surround him; for emigration has been checked, many a rich man has been ruined, while others have a severe struggle for bare existence. Not a few villages, once promising, are decaying. Some of the most self-sacrificing clergy are discouraged; but these gloomy times will soon cease. The natural energy of the people, with the caution and prudence they have been taught of late, will enable them to rise above their present difficulties, and I cannot but hope, and pray, and believe, that the trials to which they have been subjected for a year or two, will be overruled to their temporal and spiritual benefit.

I have alluded to the election of a Diocesan, and the earnest request, now presented to this Body, that the man of their choice may be consecrated to the arduous office of a Bishop. The contest during the election was an earnest one, conducted by men who in the fear of God thought for themselves, who were uninfluenced by any worldly considerations, and determined to elect one who, like themselves, possessed the pioneer spirit of self-sacrifice for the love of Christ. They knew the work to be of God, and therefore they believed with the faithful of olden times, that He, the great Shepherd of Israel, *would* PROVIDE, and I rejoice to say that the Rev. Dr. Whipple, acting from a true and deep sense of duty, accepted the office before any preparations were made for his support. Will not men who thus act for Christ and his Church be sustained and blessed?

Finding the position I held towards Kansas altogether unsatisfactory, I resigned, with all respect, the anomalous commission which I received after the close of the last General Convention, and at the same time made known to the venerable presiding Bishop, that if he would take upon himself the responsibility of that charge, I would cheerfully visit the territory for him. To my surprise he sent me, after the lapse of a few weeks, a full commission in reference to that vacant Missionary district. This was altogether unexpected, but according to a uniform rule by which I have endeavored to govern myself since I was ordained—that where the Church bids me to go, I am commanded to go by my Divine Master—I accepted the appointment without hesitation, and have endeavored to fulfill it. I was in Kansas the latter end of last October, but was prevented from doing much by incessant rains. The roads were broken up to such an extent that public conveyances were withdrawn. I returned this midsummer, and was enabled to visit every Parish and Station. The Church papers have alluded to my journeys, which were really highly interesting and gratifying. I will, therefore, merely add that, at *Leavenworth City*, which now contains more than twelve thousand inhabitants, I have consecrated St. Paul's Church, preached several times, administered the Lord's Supper, and confirmed eleven persons. The Rev. Hiram Stone is the Missionary. Here, too, I held an ordination. At *Elwood* I have preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, of which nine persons participated, and confirmed two persons. The Rev. Mr. Ryan occupies a brick parsonage. There is a church nearly finished. At *Wyandott*, I have consecrated St. Paul's Church, preached, confirmed four persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist. There is a brick parsonage, which the Missionary, the Rev. Mr. Nash, occupies. Near to this place is *Quindaro*, where we once had a Missionary. The place is decaying. At *Atchison* I confirmed two per-

nd preached. Here the Rev. Mr. Staudenmeyer officiates with-
ny Missionary aid. At *Lawrence* I preached, administered the
s Supper to nine, consecrated Trinity Church, and assisted in
rformance of some parochial duties. There is here, likewise, a
parsonage. The Rev. Charles Reynolds not only officiates here,
ith a zealous Missionary spirit, visits several places, and has
since my return, discovered some new and promising openings
e Church. At *Waukarusa*, a small settlement within the mis-
of Mr. Reynolds, I preached. At *Lecompton* I preached and
med three persons. Here the Rev. Mr. Ellis had officiated with
tance for some time. I regret to state that I have been lately
upon to transfer him to Florida. At *Tecumseh* I preached.
is the foundation for a Diocesan Female School. The Rev. Mr.
ay officiates here and at *Topeka*, in the neighborhood of which
s a good brick parsonage. Divine service is held in the third
of a building. There was public worship at night, at which I
ed, but owing to a storm of rain the audience was small. At
on City and *Fort Riley* I preached on the same day, the fourth
gust, and the next morning I preached at *Ogden*. To these
the Chaplain, the Rev. David Clarkson, devotes his attention as
stances permit. This excellent brother, who is conscientious in
rformance of his duty, and most exemplary in his conduct, had
lately attacked in a Washington City paper. Every officer at
ort bore testimony to the utter falsehood of the charges. The
ous slanderer should be known and exposed. At *Manhattan* I
ed and confirmed two persons. The Rev. N. O. Preston is
lissionary here, and is doing, in all respects, a good work. At
ola I preached to a large congregation, and likewise at *Prairie*
n Sunday, 7th August. At this latter place I confirmed three
s who had been duly prepared by the Rev. Mr. Reynolds. With
l, and that of the Rev. Mr. Callaway, I was enabled, by starting
ee o'clock in the morning, to travel forty miles, and meet both
appointments. On 8th August I preached at *Ossawattomie*, on
h at *Paola*, and on the 10th at *St. Marysville*, *Spring Hill*, and
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the request of a majority of the Clergy, I called a Convention,
assembled at *Wyandott* the 11th August. Twice I took the
of publicly advising the brethren not to organize a Diocese,
continue a Missionary District, in full expectation that they
enjoy all the benefits which result from Episcopal visitations by
pointment, at this General Convention, of a Missionary Bishop
braska and themselves. But a Diocese was desired and formed,
dmission will be requested at this meeting of the General Con-
n. The soil of Kansas is admirably adapted to agriculture. The
ry is increasing in population, and has many intelligent inhabit-
mong whom there are not a few attached to the Church.

ow, with deep emotion, tender to the Church my resignation of
ice of Missionary Bishop, which, unsought for, and entirely un-
ted, was conferred upon me twenty-four years ago. Blessed with
, and cheered by the conviction of duty, I have been enabled to
at all seasons through Indiana, Missouri, Wisconsin, Iowa, and
sota, and partly through Kansas and Nebraska.

days must soon be numbered, for in less than three months I

will be seventy years old. As age advances, I trust I have an increasing love for our Divine Master, and that Church for which he shed his most precious blood. The adorable Saviour's prayer for the unity and peace of his flock is most deeply impressed upon my mind, and truly anxious that we, the members of this branch of his mystical body, should obey his precepts and follow in his steps, I solicit that every effort that is not sanctioned by due authority, either Diocesan or general, be discouraged and abandoned. I rejoice and thank God, that with respect to the Foreign field there has been no attempt to interfere or intrude. No true Churchman would ever think of it. And why cannot every member of our Communion repose with confidence on the ability, judgment, and zeal of the General Convention and its Board of Missions? Let us all, then, throw our contributions for the Home field into the Domestic Committee. The amount placed at the disposal of that body is vastly inferior to what it ought to be. There should be thousands of dollars instead of hundreds; we should not rest satisfied until the annual receipts of the Treasury are twenty thousand dollars per month.

If any one, perhaps I, can realize the immense field of labor and final triumph that is before us. Let our Missionary Bishops be increased—let them be multiplied. The West, the mighty West, demands immediate and thorough attention. Thus far, what we have even attempted, has been but, as it were, a drop in the ocean. What ought we not to do for Pike's Peak (soon to be organized into a Territory) with its one hundred thousand inhabitants? What for New Mexico, Dacotah, Deseret, and those other vast regions, both South and West, into which the hardy emigrant is pressing, and where, I fear, before we act, there will be a million of people, and among them a goodly number who once enjoyed all the sacred privileges we now possess.

I cannot close this, my last Report, without referring to the Aborigines of our country, who deserve at our hands, intense and abiding interest, instead of neglect, injury, and destruction. They have immortal souls, precious in the sight of the Redeemer. Their minds are open to the convictions of purity and truth. We have done much, and not altogether in vain, among the Chippewas of Minnesota, and quite a number of their children are now under religious training both at Gull Lake and Faribault. But could the members of the Church have been with me among the Oneidas, on the 19th September, they would require no arguments to secure an interest in their very heart of hearts for the poor Indian. The day was exceedingly tempestuous. The faithful Missionary and myself had to ride eighteen miles through heavy rains before we were ready for divine service. The Church was entirely full. The singing, including some good chants, was excellent. The responses were general. The whole of the service was in the Oneida language, excepting the lesson and sermon, which were translated sentence by sentence. Fourteen young persons were presented for Confirmation, and were earnestly admonished to lead, henceforth, a holy life. The memorials of our dying Saviour's love were received by one hundred Communicants at the close of these solemn services, which occupied three hours; every person present, in due order, came up and shook hands with me. Now here there was most evidently, courtesy, reverence, worship, and obedience to that Great Spirit, in

whose hands are the issues of life. These people had sought the Lord in his appointed ways. Surely they will find Him an all-sufficient and a gracious God. And why should there not be a hundred similar congregations among the red race of this country?

JACKSON KEMPER, *Bishop of Wisconsin, etc.*

Appendix E.—2.

REPORT OF THE RIGHT REV. HENRY W. LEE, D.D., BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF IOWA, PERFORMING EPISCOPAL DUTIES IN THE TERRITORY OF NEBRASKA.

The undersigned, in compliance with a Resolution of the House of Bishops, respectfully reports that in the month of November, 1856, he received a letter from the Presiding Bishop, suggesting that he perform Episcopal duties in the Territory of Nebraska, that being a portion of the Missionary jurisdiction created in 1856, and left unprovided with Episcopal oversight by the failure of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to confirm the nomination of a Missionary Bishop, made by the House of Bishops. The Presiding Bishop did not regard himself as authorized by the Canon to divide the jurisdiction created by the House of Bishops, or to make a formal appointment of a Bishop to perform Episcopal duties in said jurisdiction. Under these circumstances, the undersigned consented to perform Episcopal service as requested, no one having canonical jurisdiction, and he, therefore, having as much as any.

Acting under this informal arrangement, the undersigned has visited the Territory of Nebraska at various points, and exercised a general supervision over the few Parishes and Clergymen within its borders.

I have confirmed two persons in Trinity Parish, Omaha City, and one in Florence, and laid the corner-stone of Trinity Church in the first-named place, besides preaching and delivering addresses on these and other occasions. I have visited Plattsmouth and Nebraska City. In the place last named, a church is now in process of erection, as well as at Omaha City. The Rev. Eli Adams is officiating at Nebraska City, and the Rev. George W. Watson, at Omaha City. Besides these, the only other Clergy in the Territory are the Chaplains at Forts Kearney and Laramie; though the Rev. Melancthon Hoyt, of Sioux City, Iowa, at my request, performs occasional services in those portions of the Territory adjacent to his more immediate field of labor. The towns of Nebraska, with a very few exceptions, are as yet small settlements; and though many more Missionaries might be most usefully employed throughout this vast domain, it has been deemed inexpedient to attempt any general organization of Parishes until more favorable circumstances shall warrant the appointment of additional laborers. The Domestic Committee have felt unable to make any special appropriations for this Territory, and hence it has been impracticable to increase the small number of Missionaries who are there holding forth the Word of Life; those now in the field being chiefly

sustained by funds designated for that purpose by the Missionary Association for the West, and passed through the Treasury of the Domestic Committee. The Territory is but sparsedly settled, and during the past two years emigration has been much diminished. Pecuniary embarrassment has sadly crippled the energies of the people, and a combination of circumstances has prevented a vigorous prosecution of the work of Church extension.

Through the liberality of various individuals, and of the Sunday-School of St. George's Church, New York, a Fund has been given for Church purposes in Nebraska, a portion of which has already been applied for Church building, the remainder being held in trust for the objects in view.

It is the earnest hope of the undersigned that he may be speedily relieved of his charge of Nebraska, which he undertook with reluctance, and the duties of which he has most imperfectly performed.

HENRY W. LEE,

Oct. 7, 1859. *Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa.*

Appendix E.—3.

REPORT OF THE RIGHT REV. JAMES H. OTEY, D.D., ACTING MISSIONARY BISHOP OF ARKANSAS.

The undersigned, acting under the authority of a commission from the Right Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D.D., LL.D., Presiding Bishop, has, since May, 1858, performed the duties assigned to him under the Canons of the Church. He begs leave to refer to his annual report to the Domestic Committee of Missions for the detail of official acts in his visitations.

There are five Clergymen regularly settled over Parishes in Arkansas, viz.:

The Rev. Otis Hackett at Old-river-lake village in Chicot County. The congregation to which he ministers are intelligent, wealthy, and liberal. They have purchased a parsonage for their minister, which is now occupied by him. They have made ample provision for the support of himself and family, and have also taken the necessary measures for erecting a house of worship, which will probably be finished and ready for occupation by the winter.

The Rev. Wm. Binet has charge of the congregation at Van Buren. The necessity of a church edifice is deeply felt here, the building now used for worship being entirely too small to accommodate the congregation. Accordingly, measures have been taken to collect funds for the erection of a Church, and the effort for that purpose seems, from information last received, to have excited much interest and met with considerable success.

The Rev. John Sandels has been transferred from the Diocese of Tennessee, and has taken charge of the Church and congregation at Fayetteville. He is greatly encouraged in his work, which includes the establishment of a school, for the foundation and endowment of which

the late Bishop Freeman manifested a deep interest, and for which he labored earnestly during the last three years of his life.

The Rev. Wm. Eppes has been transferred from Florida to my missionary jurisdiction, and has taken charge of the Church at Camden, formerly under the care of the late Rev. Mr. McHugh. He is laboring with much encouragement, in the evidences of interest manifested by his people in his work. It was my purpose to visit that part of Arkansas last May, and made my appointments accordingly. A severe illness prevented me from accomplishing my object.

The Rev. John T. Wheat, D.D., has accepted the charge of Christ Church, Little Rock, upon the call of the Vestry. He has been transferred, within the last few days, by the Bishop of North Carolina, to my jurisdiction. His labors have been very acceptable to the congregation, and given promise of great usefulness.

The Rev. Wm. Stout has been transferred from the Diocese of Mississippi to Arkansas, and has settled at Little Rock. He has no parochial charge, but performs Missionary labors wherever opportunity presents itself. He has been a liberal contributor to the Missionary Funds expended in Arkansas, and given much personal labor to the work of preaching the Gospel at different places, and "strengthening the things that remain."

The Rev. John Burke and the Rev. Daniel McManus are Chaplains in the United States Army; but having received no report from them, as the Canons require, I do not know at what station they officiate.

The Rev. F. W. Boyd has been laboring during the last spring and summer at Helena. He has as yet presented no letters dimissory, changing his canonical residence, for the reason that his settlement at Helena was made contingent upon the erection of a Church edifice by the Vestry. The Vestry have not felt themselves able yet to undertake that work.

There are several places which can be readily made Missionary Stations, where the people make liberal offers to support the Ministry. See Report to Domestic Committee.

I have ordained one Deacon since I took charge of the Mission, the Rev. David Margot, and have since transferred him to the Diocese of New York.

I have also transferred the Rev. John H. D. Wingfield to the Diocese of Virginia; and the Rev. Andrew F. Freeman, late Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, to the Diocese of Georgia.

I have admitted to the list of Candidates for Holy Orders, Mr. Langstroth, resident at Little Rock. He is at present the only Candidate in the State. In December last, with the rites and solemnities prescribed, I consecrated, at the request of the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry, Christ Church, enlarged by the addition of nearly one half to its former dimensions, and the entire reconstruction of the chancel, to the worship of God.

Many considerations lead me to remark that the whole of Arkansas seems to be a field for Missionary labor, now "white unto harvest." From very many places the cry comes earnestly, repeatedly, "Come over and help us," and that with assurances of reasonable support for the helpers. Hitherto few appear to regard the call.

The necessity of Episcopal supervision is obvious, and is earnestly demanded. I trust that the General Convention will take measures

to relieve me from this charge at the earliest possible moment—a charge which I have managed very inadequately, considering its magnitude, and to which my own Diocesan engagements, and the increasing infirmities of age, render me unequal.

JAMES H. OTEY, *Acting Miss. Bishop.*

Appendix C.—4.

REPORT OF THE RIGHT REV. THOMAS FIELDING SCOTT, D.D., MISSIONARY BISHOP OF OREGON.

October 7, 1859.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

In obedience to the Canon, I proceed to give a brief account of the condition of the work entrusted to my oversight, within the last three years.

It will be remembered that until the close of 1855, there were but two Clergymen engaged with me in that wide field, and one of these a Chaplain in the army. Then a young brother, a Deacon, was added to the number. In May, 1856, a Candidate was admitted to Deacon's Orders, with limited qualifications, who still devoted most of his time to providing for the support of his family. Within a few weeks from that date, two others were added to our list, one a Deacon of limited qualifications, and the other so disabled by wounds received on his way as to be entirely unfit for ministerial duty. Such was our Clerical force at the meeting of General Convention in 1856.

Up to that time we had erected three Houses of worship, small, indeed, but substantial, and sufficient for our wants. We had also, by the kindness of our brethren, purchased a suitable property for a Diocesan School for Boys, and had commenced its exercises.

Shortly after my return from General Convention, the Rev. Johnston McCormac, the Deacon first alluded to above, was admitted to the Priesthood, and I found the Rev. John Sellwood so far recovered as to be engaged, to a limited extent, in the duties of the Ministry. He has gradually regained strength, so as to officiate twice on each Sunday, besides attending Sunday-School. No addition has been made to the number of our Clergy during the past three years.

It is unnecessary for me to give a detailed statement of my own labors, as these have been reported to the Board of Missions from time to time, and published in the "SPIRIT OF MISSIONS." My time has been occupied in frequent visits to the several places where the Missionaries hold stated services; in exploring other parts of the field where we have been unable, for want of laborers, to establish services, and in supplying some other points within my reach, with occasional ministrations. One Church edifice has been built and consecrated, St. Mary's Church, Eugene City, and the Rev. Mr. McCormac occupies that Station.

At the several places where we have stated services, the prospects are decidedly promising. All things considered, the number of Baptisms and Confirmations has been encouraging. For instance, at Port-

land, four adults have been baptized, and eleven persons have been confirmed. At Milwaukie and Oswego two adults have been baptized and two confirmed—two others having been confirmed elsewhere. At Champoeg two adults have been baptized and five have been confirmed, At Salem, five adults have been baptized and ten have been confirmed. And at Eugene city, our newly-occupied Station, four have been confirmed. These were nearly all heads of families, and in six instances, husband and wife were confirmed side by side.

Another house of worship is under contract to be finished this Fall, viz., at Butteville, and I trust this will be speedily followed by another at Champoeg. This will give the Rev. Mr. Fackler suitable accommodations at these two points, with promise of extended usefulness. Recently, also, a building was purchased, with its lots, in the town of Vancouver, where Dr. McCarty holds Sunday-School in the afternoon, and service at night, on each Lord's Day. This building, with small expense, is converted into a very comfortable chapel for the large and attentive congregation who attend upon it.

Not only is the sphere of our labors gradually enlarging, but it is safe to say that as the Church becomes known, and its services understood, the way is being prepared for larger accessions to our numbers and greater permanency in all our institutions. Nor must I fail to add, as an additional ground of encouragement towards this permanent growth, that it is built upon the faithful preaching of the Gospel. So far as I know, or believe, the brethren do preach "Christ crucified" as the one only Saviour, and salvation by his grace as the only hope of the world. As the result of this preaching, we have enjoyed many evidences of the Spirit's power in the conversion of sinners to the knowledge and love of the truth. Some of my visitations, embracing several days of visiting and service, have been peculiarly refreshing, as seasons of deep spiritual interest. We have also distributed and put into use a large number of Prayer Books, Tracts, and other religious books.

In the summer of 1857, by the request of the Bishop of London, I visited Victoria, Vancouver's Island, and confirmed nineteen persons presented for that rite by the Rev. M. Cridge. Services were held daily for eight days, and it was altogether a most interesting season. Now that a Bishop has been provided for British Columbia, and the means furnished for sustaining a number of Clergymen for that District, I look forward to a pleasant intercourse and fraternal co-operation with them in doing the work of our common Master on the Pacific coast.

Under the faithful labors of the Rev. John Sellwood, often beyond his physical strength, Trinity Church, Portland, is now prepared to assume its own support, and I trust they will shortly have a settled Rector. We greatly need some additional laborers to occupy several points, as centres of Missionary effort. As a means of aiding to furnish them on the ground, and to supply the many others who are to be workers together with them, we are anxious to add to our Diocesan School a department for training young men for the ministry. With this instrumentality, we might hope, by-and-by, to furnish our own laborers.

I am painfully conscious that the results of my ministry, so far as they can be put in figures, are not flattering. You will judge for

yourselves how far they are otherwise as beginnings, as foundations, as sowings from which more abundant reapings may be hereafter gathered. The amount of travel necessarily involved is, I confess, a weariness to the flesh. Those who can speedily visit every part of their Dioceses, holding services several times a day, can form little idea of the loss of time involved in journeying for days together in order to hold one service. This suggests the propriety of taking measures, at the earliest practicable period, to place a portion of the Territory now under my jurisdiction, under that of another appointed for that purpose. This would not only give to Washington Territory a more efficient Episcopal supervision, but enable me to devote my own time to much better purpose in the State of Oregon.

Asking the continuance of your prayers and fostering care in prosecuting this arduous work in so important a portion of the domestic field.

I am, very truly,

Your servant and Brother,

THOMAS F. SCOTT.

To the General Convention, etc., Richmond, Va.

Appendix E.—5.

REPORT OF THE RIGHT REV. WM. JONES BOONE, D.D., MISSIONARY BISHOP TO CHINA.

Since my last Report great changes have taken place in the East, in India, and China, and Japan.

In India a great rebellion has broken forth, and been put down by the strong hand of power; the highest civil and military officers are crying out that the Gospel must be recognized and sustained; the East India Company has ceased to exist; the old dread of interfering with the superstitions of the natives is passing away; and the people of England, upon whom the government of the country has now devolved, are awakening to the great responsibility of having one hundred and eighty millions of heathen subjects imposed upon them, and are preparing to make there a vigorous onslaught on the strongholds of heathenism. A great work God is there giving to the English Church, and we should deeply sympathize with them in the noble effort they are making to discharge their duty in India.

In China a complete revolution has taken place in the policy of the Government towards foreign nations. The Emperor has entered into Treaties with the four great nations of the West, Russia, the United States, England, and France. In each of these Treaties an entire article has been set apart to the subject of Christianity.

In the American Treaty the Emperor "recognizes the Christian Religion as teaching men to do good, to do to others as they would have others do to them." In the Russian Treaty he commends Christian Missionaries as "good men, who seek no material advantages

for themselves, permits them to propagate the doctrines of Christianity among his subjects, and allows them to pass everywhere in the country." In the French Treaty he "grants to the members of all Christian Communions full security for their persons, their property, and the free exercise of their religious worship; and to Missionaries who peaceably enter the country, entire protection, if furnished with passports."

By the clause of our Treaty which secures to Americans all the privileges conferred on the most favored nations, we are entitled to all the privileges granted by the Russian, French, and English Treaties, as well as our own. It will therefore be seen, by putting these Treaties together, that we are allowed to enter the country to propagate the doctrines of Christianity among the Chinese, to pass everywhere without molestation, and, wonderful to say, wherever we go, into whatever village or town, we have the Emperor of China himself to introduce us and our work: we can read from the Russian Treaty his commendation of ourselves as "good men, who seek no material advantages for themselves," and from the American, "his recognition of the religion of Jesus as good," and proceed from this to show them why they should regard it as the very best gift that ever came down from Heaven to earth.

Was ever such vantage ground given before in the history of the world to preach the Gospel in a heathen empire?

In Japan we have noticed the greatest revolution of all. Secluded from foreign intercourse for more than two hundred years, it has suddenly thrown aside its exclusive policy, and admitted foreigners to reside within its territory, and to trade at its Ports. It has pleased God to use the might and power of these United States to open this country to foreign intercourse; and what a debt of gratitude do we owe to our Heavenly Father, that He enabled us to do this without firing a gun, or staining our hands with a single drop of Japanese blood.

I believe that God is going to throw the evangelization of Japan mainly on these United States. It was a United States squadron, under Commodore Perry, that first slipped in our entering wedge, after that country had shut out all foreign intercourse for more than two hundred years. It was an American Consul-General who there recently negotiated a treaty, so complete in all its parts, that the Ambassadors of England, Russia, and France, who followed after him with Navies at their heels, had nothing to do but to copy it. And yet we are informed that Mr. Harris had not seen one of our ships of war for more than a twelvemonth, when he went up unaided and alone to Yeddo, and negotiated that treaty.

These dispensations of God's providence in the East have stirred up the heart of all Christendom. The Romanists have determined to send out one hundred Missionaries to China. The Church of England is calling loudly for men to go to India. A single Congregation of the Dutch Church in the city of New York have sent out three Missionaries to Japan, and have pledged themselves to *sustain them there*. two members of that Congregation have each taken upon himself the support of a Missionary—an example worthy to be held up before the eyes of the Laity of our Church.

Our Foreign Committee, I am happy to report, were not unmoved

by these great doings in the East. As soon as they heard of the invitation of the Prince of Satzuma, who is the Governor of Nagasaki, to Mr. Syle to come to that place, and his offer to him, through his interpreter, of a house for himself and his family if he would come, they unanimously resolved to establish at once a Mission to Japan; and they selected two of our Chinese Missionaries, Messrs. Liggins and Williams, men admirably suited for this work by three years' training in our Mission at Shanghai, and commissioned them to go forthwith to Nagasaki as our Apostles to Japan. These brethren are placed under my jurisdiction, until other provision is made for their superintendence.

The fact, however, which affords me the greatest pleasure to report to you, is that our Foreign Committee have resolved largely to increase our Mission to China, and that God in his Providence has provided both the men and means for this object.

They have appointed Rev. H. M. Parker, Rev. Thomas S. Yocom, Rev. Elliott H. Thomson, Rev. D. D. Smith, Rev. S. I. J. Schereschewsky, Rev. Henry Purdon, Mr. James T. Doyen, Mr. Edward Hubbell, and Mrs. Jane Doyen to the China Mission. And all these brethren, with Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Yocom, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Doyen, expect to sail (D. V.) with Mrs. Boone and myself in the ship *Golden Rule*, on the 13th inst.

Of my personal doings and official acts, I have not much to report, having been obliged by ill health to leave my field of labor and return to this country in 1857.

January 11th, 1857, being the First Sunday after Epiphany, I ordained Rev. John Liggins and Rev. Channing Moore Williams to the Order of the Priesthood. In the year 1857 I confirmed five persons.

Since my return to this country, I have officiated once at a Confirmation, and twice in the Ordination Service. 1st April, 1859, by permission of the late Bishop Doane, of New Jersey, I held a Confirmation in Grace Church, Orange, and confirmed Hay Kway, a Chinese who accompanied me to this country, and my own son William, a lad of thirteen.

July 7th, at St. George's Church, New York, by permission of Bishop Potter, the Provisional Bishop of the Diocese, I held an Ordination, and ordained Elliott H. Thomson, Dudley D. Smith, Samuel I. J. Schereschewsky, and Henry Purdon, Deacons.

July 10th, being the Third Sunday after Trinity, I held a special Ordination in the Church of the Ascension, New York, and ordained Henry M. Parker Deacon. I have not received any report of the baptisms in China during the last year.

We have 1 Bishop, 3 Presbyters, 8 Deacons—6 Americans and 2 Chinese; 12 female Missionaries, 7 married and 5 single; 4 Candidates for Orders, 2 Americans and two Chinese. This account supposes that Mr. Liggins and Mr. Williams have gone to Japan.

In reviewing the past three years, we have ground for great encouragement, both from what God has been doing for China, and from His blessing upon the efforts that have been made to enlist men and means for His service.

I trust we shall be willing and anxious to enter in more and more

at this open door. until the sweet savor of the Saviour's name shall be spread throughout the eighteen Provinces of the China Empire.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. BOONE,

New York, 12th July, 1859. *Missionary Bishop to China.*

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Appendix E.—6.

REPORT FOR THE YEARS 1856, 1857, 1858, OF THE RT. REV. JOHN PAYNE, D.D., MISSIONARY BISHOP TO AFRICA.

Three years' history is an eventful chapter in the life of a Congregation, or a Church, whether in a Christian or heathen land. If united by faith to Christ, the living Head, there must be fellowship with the *life of Christ*, in all the phases in which that life is manifested, in the mortal bodies of His militant Church. There must be a "filling up of that which is behind of the sufferings of Christ," "the accomplishment of the same afflictions that are in the world," "the good fight of faith," the long patience of Him who "shall not fail nor be discouraged," with the effectual working of grace to sustain and comfort the believer, and the successful preaching of the Gospel, converting sinners and extending the Redeemer's kingdom.

Such, at least, has been the life of the African Mission in the period of which I now report.

Although in view of the great unoccupied field before us, the number of such laborers has been small, God has continued to cheer us from time to time by accessions of foreign Missionaries and Assistants, while in the field itself, the Corps of Colonist and Native Ministers, Catechists and Teachers, has constantly increased. In the present advanced stage of our operations, all who engage in the service of the African Mission are, of course, fully aware beforehand of the privations and dangers attending it; and cheerfully have our beloved fellow laborers met them, as sent by God. Some, after making trial of the climate, found themselves unfit for it, and properly returned to the United States. Others, after different terms of faithful labor, have been taken to receive the faithful laborer's reward.

Of these, Mrs. Virginia Hoffman, and Miss Isabella Alley, died of consumption in March and September, 1856. Rev. H. Holcomb was cut down in the vigor of manhood, after one year's service in 1857. While Mrs. Anna M. Payne peacefully passed away in the midst of those whom she had been training in the knowledge and practice of our holy religion for *twenty years*, in 1858. Nor has it been only the ranks of the foreigners that death has invaded. In the death of Mr. A. W. Tubman, a beloved teacher, and Candidate for Orders, the Mission has lost one of the most promising of her children.

In what has "come upon it from without" too, the Mission has been severely tried. Towards the close of 1856, the Colony at Cape Palmas and the natives around it, both the objects of our constant care and efforts, became involved in deadly strife. Native towns and villages were burned, and their inhabitants driven into the forests. Colonist homes too, and our earliest station at Mt. Vaughan, were destroyed, and a number of Colonists killed. For a season, the whole region was threatened with war. But He who "maketh wars to cease unto the ends of the earth," interposed. In two short months peace was restored. And in about a year, our loss at Mt. Vaughan was more than repaired, in a noble building for the High School, provided by the liberality of the Mission's friends in this country. And through all, and by all, "the word of God grew and multiplied."

In proceeding to give a detailed report of the work committed to my oversight, I shall do so under a twofold division, which will need to be more and more regarded by the Church as our operations enlarge, namely, that of *Colonist* and *Native*.

By Colonist, I of course refer to efforts for the emigrants from this country to Liberia, their descendants and the natives living in their families. These, together, make a population of about *fifteen thousand*, distributed in five principal settlements, along 300 miles of coast. As emigrants from this country, they have always seemed to me as much to claim our consideration as any part of the population of our own country. But for several other reasons they especially need attention.

Perhaps no Colony was ever planted under greater disadvantages than Liberia. Of the settlers, comparatively few could read, and still fewer possessed sufficient property even to make themselves comfortable. Under such circumstances, they had placed on them the grave responsibility of establishing and sustaining their political, educational, and religious institutions.

Our American Colonies, with so much greater advantages of education and wealth, for near two hundred years needed and received the fostering care of the mother country. How much more this infant Liberian Colony of less than *forty years*, must need the assistance of the religious and philanthropic in the United States!

It has been gratifying to observe that our own Church has ever appreciated this view, and generously responded to appeals in behalf of the Colony. Thus the Sunday-School of St. George's Church, New York, has nobly raised some *twelve thousand dollars* for *Trinity Church*, Monrovia, now nearly completed. *Grace Church*, Clay-Ashland, fifteen miles from Monrovia, on the St. Paul's River, was built by funds specially contributed. A portion of the sum necessary to erect a Church at Bassa Cove, was also raised, which it is hoped will ere long be completed. At Sinoe, a small Church has been provided in a similar manner. While at Cape Palmas, St. Mark's Church was built several years ago with funds chiefly from the Diocese of Maryland, and is now being enlarged by means again raised in this country. At Cape Palmas, also, the Orphan Asylum and High School, both for Colonists, with fine buildings, and boarding scholars, supported by friends in this country, are noble monuments of the readiness and zeal of the Church to sustain efforts especially intended for the Colonies. Indeed, we apprehend there is but one sentiment on this subject.

It was cause of thankfulness, therefore, when several years ago we were authorized to extend our operations to the principal Liberian settlements, as it is now that we can report a steady improvement wherever well directed efforts have been made.

At five points, Congregations have been organized, namely, Cape Palmas, Sinoe, Bassa Cove, Monrovia, and Clay-Ashland.

In *St. Mark's Church*, Cape Palmas, the Rector reports at the close of last year, *eighty-two* Colonist Communicants, and *eleven* Confirmations. Connected with this Church is a Parish School of twenty-five boys, and a Female School of thirty. In the Orphan Asylum are *twenty-six* girls, supported, with the Institution in general, by a Female Association in Philadelphia. At the High School, are sixteen boarding scholars, sustained also by friends in the United States, while a number are allowed to attend the Institution as day scholars.

The active Rector of St. Mark's and of the Orphan Asylum, is now engaged in erecting a Hospital in the immediate neighborhood of the Asylum. This Institution is in part for Colonists; but it is also designed for invalid natives, and foreigners of all nations visiting the Port of Cape Palmas, and therefore appeals to the philanthropic and Christian everywhere, who may be interested in Africa.

At *Sinoe*, ninety miles above Cape Palmas, the Congregation is smaller than at any other point. It was designed that Rev. H. Greene, placed here in 1856 in the room of Rev. T. A. Pinckney, returned to the United States, should give his attention chiefly to the work of education, so much needed in the community. There is also a wide field for him amongst the natives around the Colony. I made a visitation to this Station in May 1856 and 1858. On the latter occasion I confirmed *six* persons.

Bassa Cove. The interests of this Station have suffered by changes. In 1856, Rev. Mr. Rambo was compelled by ill health to leave for the United States. Since that time, Mr. R. McMorine, Colonist Catechist, and Mr. A. Tubman, Teacher, have faithfully labored to sustain religious services and a school. I visited this Station in 1856, when I confirmed *nine* persons. And again in May 1858, when I confirmed *eleven*. On the latter occasion, I examined the region lying along the Mecklin River, to the distance of thirty miles; I found it undulating and mountainous, densely populated by native Bassas, and every way a most important and inviting Missionary field.

Monrovia. At this place, is the Congregation of Trinity Church, for which a fine Church building is now in course of erection. Various untoward events have retarded the Church building and growth of the Congregation. But it is hoped and believed, that under the efficient services of the present Minister, Rev. G. W. Gibson, both will now advance. In my two visitations made to Monrovia in May 1856 and 1858, on the former occasion I admitted Rev. H. Greene to the Order of Presbyters, and confirmed *eight* persons; and on the latter, I confirmed *nine* persons. At this place, Miss G. Williams continues to teach efficiently a school of 35 to 45 children. The long cherished plan of *erecting a Mission House* at this Station, has not yet been carried out for lack of funds. *Would that God might put it in the hearts of some benevolent friends to give two thousand dollars for this purpose!*

Clay-Ashland, fifteen miles above Monrovia, is one of the most

populous agricultural districts in Liberia. But owing to the irregularity in the services in Grace Church, and other untoward events, the Congregation here has not increased as was reasonably to be expected. This place, like Monrovia, was visited by me in 1856 and 1858. On the former occasion, I consecrated Grace Church, and confirmed *six* persons. On the latter, I confirmed *nine* persons. This church is still under the pastoral care of Rev. A. F. Russell. Mr. Russell also preaches occasionally at other points in the neighborhood.

Mrs. Caroline De Coursey continues to teach here a day school of about *thirty* scholars.

NATIVE DEPARTMENT.

On the upper waters of the St. Paul's River, in Mesurado County, on the Mecklin River, in Bassa County, and around Sinoe, there are everywhere wide-opened doors for the spread of the Gospel amongst the natives. And when our Stations at these points shall have been strengthened, or God shall have poured out upon our Colonist brethren a greater zeal for the salvation of their kindred after the flesh, it is hoped these doors will be entered by many. Thus far, God does not grant this honor to our Mission. And, therefore, in reporting of operations amongst the natives, I must speak as formerly of Cape Palmas and parts immediately adjacent.

The Stations here along the Coast, remain very much as when I last reported to the General Convention. For details, therefore, I beg leave to refer to my Report to the Board of Missions, and to general Statistics given below. In reviewing this portion of the field, while there may not perhaps have been as many *adult* baptisms as in former years, there has been a very marked change produced in the popular mind in favor of Christianity. This, in connection with the preaching of the Word, is attributable to two causes. The first of these was the impotence of *greegrees* to protect in war, as manifested in the late collision between Colonists and natives. It was soon after this, that in visiting Rocktown and Fishtown, hundreds of these vanities were given me to be burned up. The other cause was a disastrous expedition to a famous oracle some two hundred miles in the interior. In this case, the members of the expedition were killed or enslaved. A deep and wide-spread conviction of the utter vanity of idols, and that God was fighting against them, followed these events.

INTERIOR STATIONS.

A very general desire has been long felt in the Church that Stations might be opened in the interior. In this the Missionaries have always shared; but only the latter have been aware of the difficulties in accomplishing this object. The Tribes all along the coast of Africa act as commission merchants for those of the interior: or, rather, they make large profits on the latter, owing to their ignorance of the real value of the foreign articles in which they barter. Simply on this ground, the Coast people everywhere oppose foreigners going in the interior. It was thus that we were prevented for years from reaching the mountain regions north of Cape Palmas. Indeed, we only succeeded at last by establishing a chain of Stations along up the Cavalla River, thus removing prejudice, until we arrived at the point where we hope to find a healthy interior Station. And, most remarkably, just

as this was accomplished, the Bohlen legacy of $25,000 was announced, enabling us to occupy (as we hope, efficiently) the interesting position hereafter to be known as *Bohlen Station*.

Our operations thus extend along 300 miles of coast and 90 miles interior, with every opportunity of occupying other Stations as fast as the Lord of the harvest shall send forth laborers into his harvest.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

	TOTAL.
Missionaries.—Foreign, including Bishop	5
" Colonist, 5; Native, 1	6
Assistants.—Foreign, 5; Colonist, 12; Native, 19	36
Candidates for Orders.—Foreign, 1; Colonist, 3; Native, 3	7
Baptisms.—(Returns imperfect.)—Adult, 72; Infant, 27	99
Confirmations, (in 3 years,)	238
Communicants.—Foreign, 5; Colonist, 175; Native, 143	323
Scholars.—Colonist, Boarding, 45; Native, Boarding, 130, " " Day, 223; " Day, 208,	606
Missionary Contributions, about $350. Alms, $240	$590

The progress of the African Mission, especially regarding the Colonist department of its operations, suggests the inquiry, Is it not time for the General Convention to adopt some measures with a view to its fuller organization?

All Missionary operations must of course be considered preparatory to such organization. This view is well expressed in a Paper of the Church Missionary Society:

"Regarding the ultimate object of a Mission, viewed under its ecclesiastical aspect, to be the settlement of a Native Church, under Native Pastors, upon a *self-supporting system*, it should be borne in mind that the progress of a Mission mainly depends upon the training up and location of Native Pastors; and that when a Missionary, surrounded by *well-trained Native Congregations*, under Native Pastors, is able to resign all pastoral work into their hands, then to relax his superintendence over the Pastors themselves, till it insensibly ceases, and so the Mission passes into a settled Christian community,—then, as it has been happily expressed, 'the *euthanasia* of a Mission takes place,' and the Missionary and all his Mission agency should be transferred to 'the regions beyond.'"

The happy consummation of Missionary efforts here referred to would be reached in a civilized community, like Liberia, much sooner than amongst Natives. But, even with the former, time must be allowed for gathering *well-trained Congregations*, inasmuch as but few of the emigrants were members of the Episcopal Church before emigrating to Africa. It is respectfully suggested, therefore, might not the other feature referred to above—namely, the *self-supporting period*—be adopted by the General Convention as the index of the preparation of the Liberian Churches for Diocesan organization, and some legislation be inaugurated on that basis.

I would beg leave further to suggest that the General Convention amend the Canon on Foreign Missionary Bishops, or else make an additional Canon to provide for the Trial of a Clergyman connected with a Foreign Mission. Such Canons are now provided by the several Dioceses, and of course somewhat differ. The Convention will there-

fore perceive our difficulty where no Diocesan organization exists, and no Canon to meet the case is provided.

Very respectfully submitted,

JOHN PAYNE,

Miss'y Bishop of the P. E. Church, U. S. America, at Cape Palmas, and parts adjacent.

Appendix F.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS LAID ON THE SECRETARY'S TABLE.

Maine.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859. Bishop's 4th Charge.
New Hampshire.....Journals of 1857, 1858.
Vermont.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Massachusetts.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Rhode Island.....Journals of 1858, 1859.
Connecticut.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
New York.....Journals of 1857, 1858.
Western New York..Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859. Bishop's Address to Convention of 1859.
New Jersey.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Pennsylvania.....Journals of 1858, 1859.
Delaware.....Journals of 1858, 1859.
Louisiana.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Indiana.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Missouri.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Illinois.....Journals of 1857, 1858.
Wisconsin.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Iowa.....Journal of 1859.
Minnesota.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Kansas.....Journal of Preliminary Convention, 1859.
Nebraska.....
Arkansas.....
Indian Territory....
Texas.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
California.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Oregon and Washington Territories} Proceedings of Convocations, 1858.
Maryland.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Virginia.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
North Carolina.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
South Carolina.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859. Reports of 7th, 8th, 9th Anniversary of Church Home. 49th Report of Trustees of Advancement Society. Constitution and Proceedings of Church Building Society.
Georgia.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Florida.....Journal of 1857.

Ohio.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859. Bishop's Address to Convention of 1858.
Mississippi.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Kentucky.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Alabama.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859.
Tennessee.....Journals of 1857, 1858, 1859. Bishop's 3d Charge.
Michigan.....Journal of 1857.

Appendix G.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary respectfully present this, the Triennial Report of their Proceedings and of the State of the Seminary, in compliance with the Second Article of the Constitution.

For the details of their Proceedings since the last meeting of the General Convention, they beg leave to refer to the printed Documents, which they transmit herewith.

The Financial condition of the Seminary appears from the last Annual Report of the Finance Committee, as follows:—

The personal property of the Seminary consists of Bonds of various persons in New York and Brooklyn, secured by Mortgages	$33,500 00
Balance in Treasury	4,683 18
Real Estate,—in Brooklyn, thirteen houses and lots, of various dimensions, estimated, at the lowest prices, at	60,000 00
Total	$98,183 18
And the Seminary property in New York. The following are specific endowments:—	
Scholarships	$37,603 50
Professorships	25,000 00
Library	6,000 00
Alumni Prizes	1,000 00
Total	$69,603 50
There is due to the Estate of James Pollock, on the completion of his contract	$8,370 30
To the same, or others, for Paving	1,193 48
And the last mentioned Property is subject to two Mortgages, amounting in all to	45,000 00
	$54,563 78

It is hoped to pay off the above indebtedness from sales of the

Brooklyn property, as such sales can be effected. When all this can be done, and the remaining lots put under lease, the clear annual income will amount to about Fifteen Thousand Dollars, leaving the Seminary Block untouched, valued at Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

The contracts for the improvement of the Seminary property in Twentieth Street have been completed.

That for Bulkhead cost	$17,060 25	
And that for the Filling	32,753 04	
Making total cost		$49,813 29
The number of new lots thus made is		59
Of which there have been leased		13
Leaving yet to be leased		46

The thirteen lots leased will produce a yearly income of $2,750, being more than five per cent. on the whole expenditure. When the balance of the lots on the new ground shall have been leased, the yearly income will be $9,800, paying, after allowing for interest and incidental expenses, over eighteen per cent. on the investment.

There have been leased, on the old ground, twenty-one lots, for the yearly rent of	$2,725 00	
Yet to be leased, eleven lots, which, at the same rate, will produce a yearly rent of	1,375 00	
Making a total for old ground		$4,100 00
To which add amount for New ground, when all leased	9,800 00	
Making a total yearly income of		$13,900 00

The Annual Reports of the Treasurer and the Finance Committee, since the last Triennial Report, will show comparatively the financial condition of the Seminary now, and at the time of the last General Convention.

The Contributions to the funds and property of the Seminary remain as at the date of the last Report, no addition having been received since. They are as follows:

From New Hampshire, as reported in 1856	$ 65 00
" Massachusetts, as reported in 1856	4,947 00
" Rhode Island, as reported in 1856	71 00
" Connecticut, as reported in 1856	583 24
" New York, as reported in 1856	184,465 12
" Western New York, as reported in 1856	10,716 95
" New Jersey, as reported in 1856	5,215 04
" Pennsylvania, as reported in 1856	12,910 80
" Delaware, as reported in 1856	120 00
" Maryland, as reported in 1856	7,445 90
" Virginia, as reported in 1856	632 00
" North Carolina, as reported in 1856	4,266 00
" South Carolina, as reported in 1856	14,549 65
" Georgia, as reported in 1856	180 47
" Mississippi	500 00
" Missouri, as reported in 1856	2 00
And the avails of the Kohne Legacy	90,000 00

If this last item be divided according to the ratio of Trustees, as directed by the last General Convention, it will add $50,000 to the amount contributed by Pennsylvania, and $40,000 to the amount contributed by South Carolina.

The number of Scholarships is nineteen, remaining the same as at the last Report.

They are as follows:

Names.	Amount.	Income.
Bishop White	$2,500 00	$125 00
Bishop Hobart	2,500 00	125 00
Bishop Kemp	3,000 00	150 00
Bishop Croes,	2,000 00	100 00
St. George's Church	2,000 00	100 00
North Carolina	2,948 00	147 40
Thomason	3,000 00	150 00
Wainwright	2,625 00	131 25
Warren	2,500 00	125 00
Rhinelander	2,000 00	100 00
Williams	2,500 00	125 00
George W. Mancius	2,530 50	126 25
The Prot. Epis. Society		105 00
" " "		105 00
" " "		105 00
" " "		100 00
Zion Church, New York	2,500 00	125 00
Mary Welsh	2,500 00	125 00
Blackwell	2,500 00	125 00

The number of Students for the last three years, has been as follows:

In June, 1857	38
In June, 1858	38
In June, 1859	43

Of these there have graduated—

At the Commencement of 1857	14
" " of 1858	11
" " of 1859	8
The whole number of the Alumni is	504
Of whom there are deceased	64
The whole number of Students matriculated since 1823, is	734
Prior to that date there had been admitted about	20
Total	754

At the last Report, the whole number of volumes in the Library was	12,618
There have since been added, by donation	134
" " " " by purchase	498
	632
Making the present number of volumes	13,250

The course of instruction has not materially changed. The Trustees refer to the Reports of the Committees appointed to attend each Examination of the Students, which show the thoroughness of the instruction, and express the satisfaction of meeting, in the discharge of their

duty, evidences of the superior advantages which Students enjoy in the Seminary to fit them for their high and holy calling.

The revision of the whole course of instruction, for the consideration of which a Committee was appointed, as mentioned in the last Report, has not yet been completed. The Committee made a Report in June, 1857, accompanied by letters from the Professors, containing suggestions as to changes and improvements in the course of instruction, and which were all printed in the Proceedings for that year. The Board then passed certain resolutions embracing modifications and changes suggested in the Report, but suspended further action thereon until the whole matter had been reconsidered and perfected by the Committee to whom it was again referred. Since that time, the Committee have not been able to perfect the subject entrusted to them so as to make their final Report.

The Board have not yet made an appointment to the Professorship of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence. The financial condition of the Seminary made this delay a matter of prudence. The studies in this department have not, however, been neglected. Professors Johnson and Mahan have given such instruction therein as was compatible with their other duties; and the Rt. Rev. the Provisional Bishop of New York, on the invitation of the Faculty, kindly consented to lecture to the students on the Ministry of the Church and on Pastoral Duties. For the valuable services thus rendered, the Board have expressed to him their thanks.

The Board report with sadness the death, in April of the present year, of the Rev. Bird Wilson, D.D., LL.D., who for thirty years was actively engaged in promoting the interests of the Seminary as Professor of Systematic Divinity. After a long and faithful service, he resigned his office in 1850, and was immediately appointed Emeritus Professor, as an expression by the Trustees of their deep sense of the untiring fidelity with which his valuable services had been rendered, and of the just claim which they conferred to an honorable retirement. The Board, at their last annual meeting, recorded their high estimate of his character and worth.

The buildings and grounds of the Seminary are in good condition. They are examined by a Committee for that purpose every year, so that any deficiency or necessary repair reported by them may be attended to. They have had for many years the watchful supervision of James N. Wells, Esq., to whom the Board are indebted for close attention to their care and preservation.

There have been no alterations made to the Statutes since the last Triennial Report.

The Board of Trustees have had under consideration the amendments proposed by the last General Convention to the Third and Fourth Articles of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, and have given to them that deliberate examination which their great importance might well demand. At the first meeting after the General Convention, the Board referred these Amendments to a select Committee of nine to consider and report thereon. The Report of this Committee was made to the Board at the next Annual Meeting (1856), and shows how fully the proposed Amendments were examined in their legal and moral bearings on the welfare and prosperity of the Institution. So satisfactory did the conclusions at which the Committee

arrived appear, that the resolution of non-concurrence passed unanimously. Copies of the Report are among the Documents transmitted for the information of the General Convention.

The following were the Resolutions passed by the Board:

"*Resolved*, That this Board of Trustees cannot, either on legal or moral grounds, concur in the changes in the Third and Fourth Articles of the Constitution of this Seminary, as proposed by the General Convention of 1856.

"*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Board transmit a copy of the above Resolution, and of the preceding Report, to both Houses of the next General Convention."

The Board have also had under consideration, at their late Triennial Meeting, two subjects which it is proper should be embraced in this Report. The first relates to the Third Article of the Constitution, which declares:

"The Trustees shall be resident in the Dioceses from which they are appointed;" and also "Upon the removal of any Trustee from the Diocese from which he shall have been appointed, his office shall thenceforth be vacated, and the Board of Trustees shall have power to supply the vacancy, pursuant to the provisions of the Third Article of this Constitution."

Upon the Report of a Committee appointed to consider what constitutes "residence" in this Article (which Report will be found in the printed Proceedings of the Triennial Meeting), the Board passed the following Resolutions:

"*Resolved*, as the sense of this Board, that a Diocesan Convention should nominate only such persons as Trustees of this Institution as are actually and personally resident, in a civil sense, within the Territorial limits of the Diocese at the time of their nomination."

"*Resolved*, That a Trustee, losing his domicil, or civil residence, within the territorial limits of the Diocese from which he was appointed, is no longer entitled to a seat in this Board as a Trustee from said Diocese."

The other subject considered at the late Triennial Meeting, had reference to the "Practicability and Expediency of removing the location of the Seminary beyond the limits of the City of New York."

A Committee appointed to consider this subject, reported in full to the Board at their late Triennial Meeting; which Report will be found in the printed Proceedings.

The following Resolutions were passed by the Board:—

"*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Removal of the Seminary be continued, and empowered, in conjunction with the Treasurer and Finance Committee, to treat with our venerable Emeritus Professor, Clement C. Moore, LL.D., for the payment of the mortgage of seven thousand three hundred and twenty dollars, given to him by this Board in June, 1834, upon the Block upon which the Seminary stands, and procure a discharge and satisfaction thereof from him; and that the fund called the 'Personal Estate,' referred to by the Finance Committee in June last, or so much of it as shall be necessary, is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

"*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on the Removal of the Seminary, to consider further the necessity and expediency of such removal; and also the best mode of providing for the accommo-

dation of the Professors and Students; and to suggest a proper location for the Seminary in case it shall be deemed expedient to remove it; and to report to the next meeting of the Board."

In conclusion, the Trustees, while they express their gratitude to Almighty God for what has already been accomplished by the General Theological Seminary, in training so many faithful, wise, and devoted sons to build up and strengthen the Church in this land, express also the fervent hope that a greater share of the Divine blessing is yet in store for it in the future; and the earnest prayer that the wisdom which is from above may so guide all who are to direct or counsel the administration of its affairs, that it may attain its great objects—the promotion of the glory of God, and the spiritual and eternal welfare of man.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board of Trustees,

EDWARD N. MEAD,
Secretary.

New York, Sept. 27th, 1859.

Appendix B.

RULES OF ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

1. The Morning Service of the Church shall be performed every day during the session of the Convention.

2. When the President takes the Chair, no Member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. When the President shall have taken the Chair, the roll of Members shall be called, and the minutes of the preceding day read; but the same may be dispensed with by a majority of the House.

4. The business of the House shall be called up, and disposed of in the following order, to wit: 1st—Communications from the President. 2d—Reports from Standing Committees in the following order: On Elections; on the Admission of New Dioceses; on the Consecration of Bishops; on Canons; on the General Theological Seminary; on the State of the Church; on Expenses; on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; on the Prayer Book; on Unfinished Business; and Special Committees in the order of appointment. 3d—Petitions and Memorials. 4th—Motions and Resolutions.

5. The House shall proceed to the order of the day at 12 o'clock precisely, unless dispensed with by a vote of two-thirds of all the Members present.

6. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, presented to the Secretary, and by him read to the House; and no motion shall be considered before the House unless seconded.

7. No Member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

8. When any Member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

9. No Member shall speak more than twice, in the same debate, without leave of the House.

10. While the President is putting any question, the Members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

11. Every Member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

12. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. The motions to lay upon the table, and to adjourn, shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

13. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

14. When the House is about to rise, every Member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

15. The names of the movers of resolutions shall appear upon the minutes of this House.

16. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received, of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted by a vote of the House. All Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House therein.

17. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any Member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

18. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair, without debate; but any Member may appeal from such decision; and on such appeal no Member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

19. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order. But when an amendment to an amendment is under consideration, a substitute to the whole matter may be received. No proposition, on a subject different from the one under consideration, shall be received under color of a substitute.

20. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another, who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division, by those who voted in the negative; and in the case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and in the case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion to reconsider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative; and in either case a motion to reconsider shall be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either Order, without regard to its previous vote And all motions to reconsider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

Appendix J.—1.

A COMMUNICATION FROM THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK,

Concerning Proposed Changes in Articles III., VI., of the Constitution Governing the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

To the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

REV. AND DEAR SIR:

In compliance with the order of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, I transmit herewith a copy of the Resolutions passed by said Convention on this twenty-ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, respecting certain Proposed Changes in Articles III., VI., of the "Constitution of the General Church," communicated by the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to the Provisional Bishop of this Diocese, and by him laid before the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

I remain yours very respectfully,

WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT,
Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York.

New York.
Sep., 29, 1859.

To the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

THIS CERTIFIES,

That on the 29th day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York, then assembled in the City of New York, passed the following Resolutions:

Resolved, By the Convention of the Diocese of New York, That in its opinion, the change proposed by the last General Convention in Article III., of the Constitution of the Church General, is judicious and expedient.

Resolved, That in the view of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, the proposed change in Article VI. of the Constitution is of doubtful policy and inexpedient.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention send a copy of the foregoing Resolutions to the Provisional Bishop and to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

In witness whereof I have hereunto put my name this twenty-ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, in the City and Diocese of New York.

WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT,
Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York.

Appendix I.—2.

A COMMUNICATION FROM THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

I hereby certify, that at the last Convention of the Diocese of South Carolina, held in Charleston in May last, the following resolutions were passed unanimously, viz.:

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention declares that, in its judgment, the proposed amendment of Article III. of the Constitution of our Church would be perilous to the rights of the Clergy and Laity.

2. *Resolved*, That to authorize the General Convention to establish Courts of Appeal from Diocesan decisions, in any case, would be to endanger the rights of the Dioceses and the peace and unity of our Church.

These resolutions, and the Report of a Committee which brought them forward, were ordered to be laid before the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention. This Report is on pages 47, 48, and 49 of the Journal of South Carolina, 1859.

Attest, C. WALLACE,
Richmond, Oct. 8th, 1859. *Sec. Con. So. Ca.*

Appendix I.—3.

MEMORIAL FROM THE REV. WM. LAMSON, OFFICIATING AS RECTOR OF THE AMERICAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, PARIS, FRANCE.

[See Appendix N., among Documents of House of Bishops, to whom a copy of the same was addressed.]

Appendix K.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND OF AGED, INFIRM, AND DISABLED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Sept. 16, 1859.

The Trustees of the Fund, instituted by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, at its meeting in 1853, for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the said Church, beg leave respectfully to present to their Constituents the following Report:

In discharge of the duty devolved upon them by the Convention, and in pursuance of their instructions, the Trustees, immediately after their appointment, met and organized themselves as a Board by the election of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. They prepared and caused to be presented to the Legislature of the State of New York the Memorial, a copy of which, marked (A), is appended to this Report, and made part of it.

The Legislature of New York, in compliance with the prayer of said Memorial, were pleased, on the 13th of April, 1855, to pass the Act of Incorporation of the Trustees of the said Fund, a copy of which, marked (B,) is also appended to this Report and made part of it.

The Trustees organized themselves under this Act, and proceeded, in the exercise of a power granted in the said Act for that purpose, to frame and adopt a Code of By-laws for the government of the said Corporation thus created, and for the accomplishment of its benevolent and declared objects, according to the supposed intentions of the Convention and the Church. A copy of this Code of By-laws, marked (C), is also appended to and made part of this Report.

The Institution thus authorized by the Convention, and legally created by Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, combining as it does the principles of Annuity, Life Assurance, and a simple charity, is necessarily complicated in its character, and therefore difficult to be organized under a clear, practical, and safe Code of By-Laws. This can hardly be done by any *à priori* reasoning, however just and wise. Actual experiment must be, at once, the test of merit of any system adopted, and the instructor in its improvement.

The Trustees, therefore, fully aware of the intrinsic difficulties of the case, submit with diffidence the Code they have prepared, relying for the remedy of its errors and the supplying of its defects, upon the suggestions of actual experience, and the practical working of the Institution.

Should the proceedings of the Trustees, and the Plan of the Institution they herewith submit, meet the approbation of their Constituents, they beg leave respectfully to suggest that the Convention will, in its wisdom, devise and adopt such measures as will give to the Institution

practical effect, and assure, in the greatest degree, the accomplishment of its benevolent objects. All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board of Trustees,

ALFRED LEE,

New York, Sept. 16, 1859. *President of the Board.*

(A.) MEMORIAL.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of New York.

The Memorial of the undersigned respectfully represents:

That the necessity and propriety of some more adequate provision, than at present exists, for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, and for Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, have long been felt and universally acknowledged.

Deeply impressed with this necessity, and with the propriety of making some early and effectual provision for this object, the General Convention of the Church, at its meeting in 1853, instituted a Fund, and appointed the undersigned Trustees of the same, with instructions, among other things, to procure an Act of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Fund.

The better to inform your Honorable Bodies of the precise nature and objects of this Fund, and of the action of the General Convention of the Church in regard to the same, the undersigned beg leave to submit, accompanying this their petition, and to make it a part thereof, a printed statement upon the subject.

Therefore, to enable the undersigned more effectually to discharge the duties thus devolved upon them in relation to this Fund, and more fully to accomplish its beneficent objects, the undersigned respectfully pray that your Honorable Bodies will be pleased to grant them, as Trustees of the Fund in question, an Act of Incorporation, and such further and other aid as to your wisdom may seem meet and proper.

(Signed) HORATIO POTTER,
GREGORY T. BEDELL,
JOHN HENRY HOBART,
HAMILTON FISH,
LUTHER BRADISH,
ROBERT B. MINTURN,
CYRUS CURTIS,

New York, 1855. *Trustees, &c.*

(B.) AN ACT

To Incorporate the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America. Passed April 13th, 1855, three-fifths being present.

The people of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

I. Horatio Potter, Gregory T. Bedell, John Henry Hobart, Hamilton Fish, Luther Bradish, Robert B. Minturn, and Cyrus Curtis, are hereby created a Body Corporate, by the name of "The Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy-

men, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America;" for the purpose of organizing, managing, and applying the Fund indicated in its Title, and instituted by the General Convention of the Church aforesaid, in the year 1853.

II. The affairs of the said Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Seven Trustees, to be appointed triennially by the General Convention aforesaid, on the nomination of a joint committee thereof. The persons named in the First Section of this Act, shall be the first Trustees of the said Corporation, and shall hold their offices until the meeting of the said Convention in 1856, and until others are appointed in their places. They shall have the power to fill vacancies occurring in their own Board, and to appoint their own officers and agents.

III. The said Corporation, for the declared purposes of its creation only, shall have power to take by gift, grant, or devise, any estate, real, personal, or mixed, and to hold or convey the same. (But the said Corporation shall not take and hold real and personal estate above the clear annual value of fifteen thousand dollars.)

IV. The said Corporation shall possess the general powers, and be subject to the provisions of Ch. XVIII. of the 1st part of the Revised Statutes, so far as the same are applicable, and have not been repealed.

V. The Legislature may, at any time, alter or repeal this Act.

VI. This Act shall take effect immediately.

(C) BY-LAWS.

1. The Title of this Corporation is "The Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

2. OBJECTS.—The objects of this Corporation are indicated by its Title.

3. OFFICERS.—The officers of this Corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Board of Trustees, at its first meeting after the appointment of its members by the General Convention of the Church, as provided for in the Charter of this Corporation. They shall respectively hold their offices for three years, and until others are appointed in their places. Vacancies in any of these offices shall be filled by the Board of Trustees, at the first meeting after the occurrence of such vacancies.

4. STANDING COMMITTEES.—At the first meeting of the Board of Trustees after its appointment, there shall be appointed the following Standing Committees, of three members each, viz.:—1. An Executive Committee. 2. A Committee on Finance and Investment. 3. A Committee of Applications for Annuities or Relief out of the Fund.

5. PRESIDENT.—It shall be the duty of the President to call all meetings of the Board of Trustees, and to preside at the same. He shall preserve order, and decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Board. He shall appoint all Special Committees not otherwise expressly provided for. And generally he shall discharge all such duties and exercise all such powers as shall, from time to time, be expressly conferred upon him, or as properly appertain to his office as President of the Board. There shall be annually at least one stated

meeting of the Board of Trustees; and the President in his sound discretion may, and on the written request of two Trustees, shall call special meetings of the Board.

6. VICE-PRESIDENT.—In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the President.

7. PRESIDENT PRO TEM.—In case of the absence of both the President and the Vice-President, a President *pro tem*, shall be appointed, who for the time shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the President.

8. SECRETARY.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary, under the direction of the President, to give notice of all meetings of the Board of Trustees, and to attend the same. He shall keep accurate minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and record the same, when approved, in its Journal. He shall conduct and regularly report the correspondence of the Board, preserve its archives, and together with the President, certify its acts. He shall have the custody of the seal of the Corporation.

9. TREASURER.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to the Fund; and so often as they shall amount to one hundred dollars, to deposit the same, in the name of this Corporation, in such Bank or Trust Company as shall be designated for that purpose by the Board of Trustees. The moneys thus deposited shall be drawn out only for the objects of the Fund, and upon the warrant of the Committee on Finance and Investment, signed by the Treasurer, and countersigned by the Secretary. The Treasurer shall have the custody of all contracts and other securities belonging to this Corporation, and shall keep the same in some safe place of deposit. He shall, at each meeting of the Board, present a concise statement of the condition of the Treasury, and of the outstanding liabilities of the Corporation. He shall annually present to the Board of Trustees a detailed account, made up to the first day of January, of all receipts and disbursements during the year, on account of the Fund, which account and statement shall be referred to the Committee on Finance and Investment for audit, examination and report.

10. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The Executive Committee, in the recess of the Board of Trustees, shall possess the powers and discharge the duties of the Board. They shall, at each meeting of the Board of Trustees, report for the information of the Board, their acts since the last meeting of the Board.

11. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND INVESTMENT.—The Committee on Finance and Investment shall, from time to time, devise and report to the Board of Trustees, measures for increasing the Fund. They shall, under the general direction of the Board, make all investments, whether temporary or permanent, of moneys belonging to the Fund, and report the same to the Board for its information. They shall examine and certify, for the approval of the Board, all bills and claims upon the Fund; and shall draw their warrant for all disbursements on account of the Fund, authorized or approved by the Board. They shall audit the Treasurer's annual account, compare the entries therein with their respective vouchers, and certify the result, with their suggestions, to the Board of Trustees.

12. COMMITTEE ON APPLICATIONS.—The Committee on Applications

for annuities or relief out of the Fund, shall receive and examine all such applications, and report the facts in each case, and their opinions thereon, to the Board of Trustees.

13. QUORUM.—At all meetings of the Board of Trustees, four members present shall, in all cases and for all purposes, constitute a Quorum for the transaction of business.

14. ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.—At all meetings of the Board of Trustees, the following shall be the order of proceedings, viz.:—1. Prayer.—2. Reading and approving the Minutes.—3. Reports and Communications from Officers the Board.—4. Reports from Standing Committees.—5. Reports from Special Committees.—6. Special Orders.—7. Unfinished Business.—8. Miscellaneous Business.

15. DIVISION OF THE FUND.—The Fund of this Corporation shall be divided into two Departments, to be denominated,—1. The Close Department, and—2. The Open Department. Appropriations out of the first or Close Department of the Fund to depend upon the contributions to the Fund; but out of the second, or Open Department upon the peculiar circumstances of each particular case, and to be made in the sound discretion of the Trustees of the Fund, independent of any contributions to it by the applicant for relief, or by any other person for his account, although with a proper regard to such contributions when made.

16. CLOSE DEPARTMENT.—The Close Department of the Fund shall consist of the annual and other contributions made to it by Clergymen or others for their account; and other contributions specially made to this department of the Fund, together with the accumulations of the Fund, as hereinafter provided. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, who shall, at one or several times, have contributed to this Department of the Fund the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, or ten dollars annually for fifteen years; or any such Clergyman for whose account such contribution shall have been so made, shall thereafter, that is, after the expiration of fifteen years from the time of the first contribution, be entitled to receive out of the said Fund, an annuity or annual sum of Fifty Dollars, payable half-yearly, on the first days of January and July in each year, during his natural life. And so in like proportion for any larger sums so contributed for any such Clergyman, or by any other person for his account; and from and after his death, his widow, should he leave any, shall be entitled to the same annuity, payable in the same manner, during her natural life, or until she shall marry again; and from and after her decease or marriage, the child or children of such Clergyman, should any survive the death or marriage of his widow, shall receive the same annuity, payable in the same manner, until the youngest, if there be more than one, shall attain the full age of twenty-one years, or decease, when the said annuity shall cease or determine. If at the death or marriage of the widow, there be more than one such child surviving, they shall enjoy the said annuity equally until they shall respective reach the age of twenty-one years, or decease, when each child so successively attaining the age of twenty-one years, or dying, shall cease to participate in the said annuity, and the whole annuity shall survive to the survivors or survivor of such child, until they shall all, including the youngest, successively attain the age of twenty-one years, or decease, when the said annuity shall wholly cease and determine.

If the income of this Department of the Fund shall, at any time, have so increased, as after paying the annuities chargeable upon the Department, there shall remain a surplus of income, one-half of the same shall be divided annually *pro rata*, among the annuitants, and the dividends thus made shall be distributed, as herein above provided in regard to the annuities themselves; and the other half of the said surplus shall be annually added, by way of accumulation, to the principal of this Department of the Fund, until by such accumulation, or otherwise, the said Fund in this Department shall amount to the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, when and thereafter annually the whole of such surplus income shall be divided among the annuitants, and the dividends distributed as herein above provided in relation to the first half of the said surplus. But if at any time hereafter, by the payment of annuities, or any other cause, the principal of this Department of the Fund shall become reduced below the said amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, the aforesaid second half of the said surplus shall cease, temporarily, to be divided and distributed among the annuitants, and shall be again added annually to the principal of this Department of the Fund, until the same, by such accumulation or otherwise, shall be fully replenished and kept at the aforesaid amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, after which the said second half of the said surplus, as well as the first, shall, as before, be divided and distributed among the annuitants, as herein above provided. If any Clergyman who has contributed to the Fund of this Corporation, or for whose account such contribution shall have been made, shall die before the contributions are completed which would have entitled him to an annuity as herein above provided, his widow or children, should he leave either, shall have the right, either in one sum, or by annual payments, to complete the contributions which, if made in the lifetime of such Clergyman, would have entitled him to an annuity, and they shall enjoy the annuity, with all its incidents, as herein above provided, to commence at the expiration of fifteen years from the time of the first contribution to the said Fund by such Clergyman, or by any other person for his account.

The Clergymen contributing, or for whom contributions are made as aforesaid, in order to entitle them to receive the annuity above provided for, shall each, in case of marrying more than once, make to this Department of the said Fund, a special contribution of twenty dollars for each time he shall so marry after his first marriage.

17. OPEN DEPARTMENT.—The Open Department of this Fund shall consist of grants or donations, specially made to it, and of its accumulations, by interest or otherwise. It is intended for the relief and benfit of deserving Clergymen, or their families, who, from any cause, have not made the contributions to the Fund, or for whose account such contributions have not been made by any other person, as would entitle the parties to the annuity provided for in the Close Department of the Fund.

18. APPROPRIATIONS OR GRANTS.—Appropriations or Grants out of the Open Department of the Fund, therefore, may, in the sound discretion of the Trustees, be made for the relief or benefit of deserving Clergymen, or their families, who have made no contribution to the Fund themselves, or for whose account no such contribution has been specially made by others. Such Appropriations or Grants shall de-

pend solely upon the peculiar circumstances and merits of the particular case, independently of any contributions to the Fund previously made, either by the parties themselves, or by any others for their account; but always, however, with a proper regard to any such contributions when they have been made.

Such Appropriations or Grants shall always be made out of the income of this Department of the Fund, and in no case from the principal thereof, unless so specially directed by a Contributor to the Fund at the time of making his or her contribution.

19. DONATIONS.—Where a donation contribution or devise is made to the Fund of this Corporation without any specific designation of the Department of the Fund to which it is to be applied, both the principal and interest of such donation, contribution, or devise may be appropriated by the said Trustees to either or both of the said Departments, as in their sound discretion they may judge to be most conformable to the intentions of the donor, contributor, or devisor, most in harmony with the general spirit of this Corporation, and most conducive to the accomplishment of its objects.

20. INVESTMENT OF FUND.—The Fund of this Corporation, in both its Departments, shall be invested in the most productive securities, reference however being always had to the sufficiency and safety of the security.

21. MANAGEMENT AND APPLICATION OF THE FUND.—The Fund in both Departments shall be managed in the most economical manner, and be faithfully appropriated only to its legitimate, proper, and declared objects.

22. ADOPTION AND ALTERATION OF BY-LAWS.—The foregoing are duly adopted and hereby declared to be the By-Laws of this Corporation; and no existing By-Law shall be either modified or rescinded, nor shall any new By-Law be adopted, unless notice thereof shall have been given at a previous meeting of the Board of Trustees, and the same be adopted by the affirmative vote of five Trustees.

ORGANIZATION.

President.—Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., Delaware.

Vice-President.—Hon. Hamilton Fish, New York.

Secretary.—Rev. John Henry Hobart, D.D., New York.

Treasurer.—Cyrus Curtis, Esq., New York.

Executive Committee.—Right Rev. Bishop Lee, D.D., Delaware; Rev. John Henry Hobart, D.D., New York; Luther Bradish, New York.

Committee on Finance and Investment.—Robert B. Minturn, New York; Josiah Collins, North Carolina; Luther Bradish, New York.

Committee on Applications for Annuities or Relief out of the Fund—Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., New Hampshire; Hon. Hamilton Fish, New York; Rev. John Henry Hobart, D.D., New York.

Appendix L.

REPORT OF THE TYPOGRAPHICAL CORRECTOR APPOINTED BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1856.

I.

When the Volume of Inspiration was known to be closed, the people who, in different nations, were converted to the faith of the Gospel, became desirous of possessing, in their own tongue, the written record wherein, if anywhere, must be contained all that was necessary to be believed for salvation. The history of the British Isles furnishes assurance, that the duty of having the Holy Scriptures in a language understood by the people was appreciated probably before, but certainly during the Saxon rule, and after the Norman Conquest. There was, indeed, but echoed the general sentiment of the Christian mind in England, when in 1390, to the opposition against the circulation of the whole Bible recently translated by Wickliff, the Duke of Lancaster, in open Parliament, declared: "We will not be the dregs of all: seeing other nations have the law of God, which is the law of our faith, written in their own language."

It was reserved, however, for the era of the Reformation to witness and to foster a more intense desire for the diffusion in England, as in other lands, of the written Charter of Divine truth, and for that diffusion the art of printing then discovered, as if by the overruling Providence of God, gave facilities which had previously been unknown to mankind. From the first effort of William Tyndale, who, in 1526, printed the New Testament at Antwerp, to the complete translation of the sacred volume in 1568, called the Bishop's Bible, which appeared under the auspices of Archbishop Parker, the interest of the subject has given occasion to accurate and even voluminous narratives, alike creditable to their authors, and replete with instruction, at least to the antiquarian reader.

In this Report it would scarcely be meet to reiterate, in however condensed a form, the information contained in such volumes. The eagerness of men to peruse the pages of Inspiration in their native tongue, and perhaps the correspondent eagerness of those who were competent to the task, to gratify that desire, would produce a greater or less degree of hastiness in the translations that from time to time appeared. Nor were there wanting those who, from opposite motives, were busy in tracing and magnifying the minor and for the most part inconsequential faults in these translations, and thus impair their estimate in the public mind. Whatever the justice or the motives of these cavils, their issue was found in the matchless version of the Scriptures into the English tongue, known as the Bible of King James. At the very commencement of his reign, this Prince had favored the suggestion made in the Conference held at Hampton Court of a new translation, which, embodying the merits, should avoid the errors, whatever they were, of its predecessors. The task was intrusted to fifty-four of the most learned of the kingdom, it might be said of the age—an age which has never been surpassed for biblical knowledge and deep ac-

quaintance with the original tongues in which the inspired volume was written. These translators were divided into six classes, who had their respective portions, including the Apocrypha, assigned them, and prosecuted their labors under instructions which, though found in books readily accessible, it may not, even in a Report I would render as brief as possible, be unmeet I should transcribe.

1. The ordinary Bible read in the church, commonly called the Bishop's Bible, to be followed, and as little altered as the original will permit.

2. The names of the prophets and the holy writers, with the other names in the text, to be retained as near as may be, accordingly as they are vulgarly used.

3. The old ecclesiastical words to be kept, as the word *Church* not to be translated *congregation*.

4. When any word hath divers significations, *that* to be kept which hath been most commonly used by the most eminent fathers, being agreeable to the propriety of the place, and the analogy of faith.

5. The division of chapters to be altered either not at all, or as little as may be, if necessity so requires.

6. No marginal notes at all to be affixed, but only for the explanation of the Hebrew or Greek words, which cannot without some circumlocution, so briefly and fitly be expressed in the text.

7. Such quotations of places to be marginally set down, as shall serve for the first references of one Scripture to another.

8. Every particular man of each company to take some chapter or chapters, and, having translated or amended them severally by himself where he thinks good, all to meet together, to confer what they have done, and agree for their part what shall stand.

9. As any one company hath dispatched any one book in this manner, they shall send it to the rest, to be considered of seriously and judiciously, for his Majesty is very careful on this point.

10. If any company, upon the review of the books so sent, shall doubt or differ upon any places, to send them word thereof, to note the places, and therewithal to send their reasons; to which if they consent not, the difference to be compounded at the general meeting, which is to be, of the chief persons of each company, at the end of the work.

11. When any place of special obscurity is doubted of, letters to be directed by authority, to send to any learned in the land for his judgment in such a place.

12. Letters to be sent from every Bishop to the rest of his Clergy, admonishing them of this translation in hand, and to move and charge as many as, being skilful in the tongues, have taken pains in that kind, to send their particular observations to the company, either at Westminster, Cambridge, or Oxford, according as it was directed before in the King's letter to the Archbishop.

13. The directors in each company to be the Deans of Westminster and Chester for Westminster, and the King's professors in the two Universities.

14. These translations to be used, when they agree better with the text than the Bishop's Bible, viz.: Tindal's, Coverdale's, Matthew's, Whitchurch's, Geneva.

15. Besides the learned persons employed with them for the Hebrew and Greek, there should be three or four of the most eminent and grave

divines of their University, assigned by the Vice-chancellor, upon conference with the rest of the heads, to be overseers of the translations, as well Hebrew as Greek, for the better observation of the rules appointed by his highness, and especially concerning the third and fourth rule.

In conformity with these judicious regulations, the venerable men to whom this great work was committed, each book having passed the scrutiny of all the translators successively, brought their labors to a close in the compass of a little less than three years. Three copies of the work, when thus completed, were sent to London; and from them a committee of six, two from Oxford, two from Cambridge, and two from Westminster, prepared in nine months the copy for the press; Dr. Bilson, Bishop of Winchester, and Dr. Myles Smith, afterward Bishop of Gloucester, having reviewed the whole volume, and prefixed the arguments or contents of chapters, and the latter written the preface which still adorns the larger and genuine editions of this noble monument of learning and pious zeal. The first printed edition is that of 1611, though there are copies which bear the dates of 1612 and 1613. The typographical execution of the volume, in the old English characters, is not without merit for an age yet far from the excellence in the art of printing attained in modern times. But the errors of the press were not a few; and the many editions which, from time to time appeared, sometimes retained, sometimes amended, these errors, but not unfrequently with the addition of many errors of their own, till the evil became so great as to require and obtain, in the reign of George I., the royal interference.

In the mean time, however, in an edition by Dr. Scattergood, many judicious marginal references to parallel passages, and in another under the auspices of Dr. Tenison, Archbishop of Canterbury, chronological dates, and an index by Bishop Lloyd, and accurate tables of Scripture weights and measures by Bishop Cumberland, had been added. In both editions, especially the latter, the errors of the press were numerous, and the correction of the evil became the more imperative, as those errors not infrequently affected, though undesignedly, even the sense of the text. When, as an exemplification, for "Joshua the son of Nun," it was printed, "Joshua the son of *a* Nun;" for "thou shalt *not* commit adultery," it was printed, "thou shalt commit adultery;" for "look ye out seven men whom *we* may appoint," it was printed, "whom *ye* may appoint;" for "the lord of the vineyard," "the lord of the vinegar;" for "than she which hath no husband," "she which hath an husband;" there was stern occasion to provide, as far as human skill could effect it, for the integrity of the sacred volume, and secure a standard of the work of the translators, such as might be relied on in future times. The task was, therefore, committed to Dr. Blaney, under the direction of the Vice-chancellor and Delegates of the Clarendon Press at Oxford. The result of his labors, which are before me, but which it would be superfluous here even to abridge, was given in a detailed report to his constituents in 1769, and was so acceptable, that his edition became the standard from which all subsequent editions have been executed. It is the last, as it is the most complete revision made of King James' Bible, and the editions from it printed by Woodfall, and published by Eyre and Strahan, in 1806, and then in 1812, in which were corrected the few typographical errors that had escaped

the eye of Dr. Blaney, may be considered as having effected all that can be desired, in securing the integrity of the English Bible, to those who speak the Anglo-Saxon tongue.

II.

A few years ago, when the public mind in England became stirred with apprehension, a fac-simile of the original edition of the translation, that of 1611, gave assurance to the world, that, except in the correction of typographical errors, and changes from an antiquated, to a more recent mode of spelling, the text of this noblest of modern versions had remained free from the hand of innovation. But if, even in England, where the integrity of the Bible is comparatively preserved by certain legislative enactments, still more in this country, where the right of printing it is indefinitely allowed, a lively concern has from time to time been felt, at the too great carelessness apparent in many editions of the Scriptures, with regard to typographical, or more serious deviations from that which, since the time of Dr. Blaney, has been considered the standard of the Anglican Church. In this concern, the Protestant Episcopal Church of this country, as the natural and hereditary guardian of the English Scriptures, was early participant.

In the General Convention of 1817, it was resolved that the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to designate and establish some specific edition of the Old and New Testaments, without note or comment, to be considered as the authentic version or standard, by which the genuineness of all copies of the Holy Scriptures used by the members of this Church, is to be ascertained. To this request it was replied, that "the matter requiring very serious attention and deliberation, the House of Bishops has resolved, that its members will give such attention and deliberation to the subject, previously to the next meeting of the General Convention, and report at the said meeting." In conformity with these proceedings, a joint committee of the two Houses of Convention, appointed in 1820, Bishop White being chairman, reported, in 1823, that "having taken into consideration certain testimonies borne to two editions of Eyre and Strahan, published in the years 1806 and 1812, the said editions are believed by them to be the most perfect of all, concerning which intelligence has been obtained by them. Accordingly, they recommend the adoption of the latter of these editions as the standard. We believe it to be the same of which some copies have been imported by J. Potter, bookseller, and are now for sale by him, the title-page of which bears the date of 1813." From the time of this Report, with the exception of a joint committee of both Houses to act under the second Canon of 1823, the subject of a Standard Bible lay dormant, till, in 1835, the explicit proposition was for the first time presented, that there should be published, in this country, under the sanction of the General Convention, a standard edition, conformable to that of England, as recognized by our Church. At every subsequent Convention, the subject, under modified resolutions, was kept alive, with no voice of dissent to its importance. But it is due to the far-sighted zeal of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, that the measure thus far approximated the desired end. At the Convention of 1850, this Society submitted its proposal to become the publishers of the Bible, which, when sanc-

ned by the General Convention, should be the standard of the urch. The proposal was accepted, and a Committee appointed, ich, in 1853, made its report. In this report was embodied, pecting the standard text in England, important information, de-ed from two sources; the British and Foreign Bible Society, and Archbishop of Canterbury, than which sources of information the mmittee deemed there could be none higher. "I beg to inform you," tes the editorial Superintendent of the British and Foreign Bible ciety, to one of the Committee, "that all Bibles and Testaments of authorized version, printed in England, are printed either at one of Universities, Oxford and Cambridge, or by the Queen's printers. nd that these printers all agree, in considering the edition of 1611, ng James' Bible, as their standard; although the obsolete orthog-hy of this is in various instances corrected, and the medium quarto glish type, printed at Oxford, is taken as the most correct edition, the copy generally used in all editions, both by the Universities and the Queen's printers. The British and Foreign Bible Society have lered that a copy of this edition be sent to you to be presented from m to the Committee of the General Convention. This edition has n the most frequently read and corrected, and is, therefore, regard-as the most accurate. The adoption of this as the standard copy, s agreed upon by the Delegates of the University Press at Oxford, l the Syndics of that at Cambridge; their respective bodies of perintendence having had a correspondence on the subject for some ie," "A correct text," says the Primate of all England, "accord-to the edition of 1611, was adopted in both the Oxford and Cam-dge Bibles."

The Secretary of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge s furnished me with the following statement from Mr. Combe, the perintendent of the Oxford Press: "The text for all the Oxford tions of the Bible is now the same, and is in conformity with the tion of 1611, which is, and has been for many years, adopted for the ndard text. The medium quarto book is stereotyped, which pro-ts it from casual errors; and having been long in use without the ection of any error, I have reason to think that it may be consid-d as perfect as a book can be, and may therefore be fairly received the standard book of the Society." The Convention at which this port was made, showed its continued interest in the subect, by the pointment again, on the part of the House of Clerical and Lay puties, of a Committee, which should report to the next General nvention; and the Report, which was consequently, in 1856, brought resulted in the present advanced stage towards possessing a Stand-l Bible of our own, of the Church in this country. A Typographical rrector was appointed by the House of Bishops and by the House of erical and Lay Deputies, and by the latter body a Committee of e, to whom the Corrector should submit the proposed corrections en made, or in their progressive stages. In conformity with his ap-ntment by the two Houses, the Corrector presents this his Report this Convention.

III.

The first duty of an agent, is to regard the will of his constituents

and the purpose of his appointment. The caution of the Convention of 1856 confines the person appointed to the correction of typographical errors in the authorized translation of the Holy Scriptures, referring to the present standard edition. He has no authority, if even he were willing, to exercise the office of translator of a single word. He is restricted, with regard both to the text and what are known as its accessories, in the correction of errors, to those merely of the press; and in carrying on his labors, the edition to which he is to conform himself is that which the Church in America yet recognizes as her standard. This standard is the edition published in 1806, and again in 1812, by Eyre and Strahan; since it was made such by the joint resolution of the General Convention of 1823; since no other has been substituted, and since that resolution is yet unrepealed. In this aspect of the subject, the Committee appointed by the last General Convention having met, adopted, as the base of the operations of the Typographical Corrector, the resolution: That he should examine the four leading British editions, including the present standard of the Church in America; the majority of these to be in any case decisive; but where any two differed from the other two, the edition of 1611, that of the translators, was to determine the difference. Under this resolution, alike simple and safe in its effects, the course of the Corrector has been pursued.

1. *Of the Editions used.*—For some years before his appointment, the Corrector had been in the habit of collating the medium quarto edition, stereotyped at Oxford, with other editions of note, whether of this country or England; and his personal examination had justified the report of the Committee of 1853, that in that edition there were "but very few particulars which the Committee would prefer to change, not one which would importantly affect the sense, and but few of which a doubt might not be entertained whether they are even typographical errors." This edition is that avouched, in 1851, by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the British and Foreign Bible Society, as at that time, for the text of the Holy Scriptures, the standard in England. Subsequently, however, in 1851 and 1852, there appeared from the Oxford Press an edition well meritorious of the character given it in a private letter by the Superintendent of that Press, when he says, "We have a new royal quarto Bible, with marginal references, set wholly from end to end in new type, which I trust will be the best book in the market." Except in beauty of type, it might be considered, either in respect to text, contents of chapters, or marginal references to the Old and New Testament, identical with the edition which has been mentioned. The third edition, of which use has been made, is that to which both the others are indebted for their excellence. The edition of 1806, by Eyre and Strahan, referred to in the resolution of the Convention of 1823, which established the standard for our Church, and to which edition the Corrector has considered himself, by the terms of his appointment, obligated, above all others, to have respect. The fourth edition collated is that of Edinburg, differing, especially in its additional various readings, as they are termed, from the other editions, and in other respects worthy of less regard. In the American editions, the errors in some have been found so numerous, and in others, the omissions, and still more the innovations, so reckless and so rash, that,

particularly in what are called the accessories, they have been used rather as warnings than as guides.

2. *Of the General Characteristics of the English Editions used.*—These editions may be considered in relation to the text and its accessories. By the text is to be understood that version of the Canon of Scripture, in connection with the Apocrypha, made by the translators under King James, in which certain words in italic type represent words not in the original tongues, but introduced on account of the English idiom. Of this text, the last revision by Dr. Blaney, which has now received the sanction of near a hundred years, made no changes as an improved version, but chiefly, if not wholly, had regard to typographical errrors, to the punctuation corrupted from that cause, and to the italicized words. Of the text, the Oxford editions of 1850 and 1852 may be considered the most perfect extant. They are nearly identical with each other, and also with the Eyre & Strahan edition of 1806, except that in some cases the former editions use the colon, the favorite stop of the translators, where the latter edition uses the semi colon, though in no instance to affect the sense. The use of the paragraph mark (¶) may be referred to the accessories. By the accessories is to be understood whatever is not, in the above sense, the text; such as, the running titles at the top of the columns in each page, the contents of each chapter, the marginal readings, and the marginal references, to which is to be added the chronology. The running titles must of necessity differ in every edition, according to the size of the type and page. As a quarto edition, those of 1852 are unexceptionable. The contents of chapters are more consequential. They constitute, as originally presented, the brief sense of the translators respecting the portions of Scripture to which they are attached. Whenever affixed, or of whatever kind, these contents must bear positively or negatively the nature of a comment. Considerable alterations, to use his own language, but more correctly a few, were made in them by Dr. Blaney but it is worthy of observation, that both the Oxford editions return to the captions of the translators, except in punctuation, and in a very few changes of words, of which the most remarkable is in Matt. xxvi., where, for the word *feet*, in the editions of 1611 (probably a typographical error), is correctly substituted the word *head* in the others. The marginal readings, or "the diversity of senses," placed in the margin by the translators, are preserved in the Oxford editions, with the addition of those introduced in the last revision, and, of course, retained in the edition of 1806, our present standard. In connection with these marginal readings, to which the translators make special allusion in their preface, it is to be remarked, that the edition of 1852, in one respect, differs from all others. The marginal readings are of two sorts; the one, being a more literal rendering, the other a somewhat different sense of the original word, whether Hebrew or Greek. The attention of the reader is, in the former case, attracted by a cross, in the latter, by two parallel lines, placed before the word in the text; though the parallel lines are occasionally used for both. In the edition of 1852, the Arabic numbers are invariably substituted for both. The distinction between the two sorts of marginal readings made by the translators, is in no degree lessened by the simpler and more graceful mode of attracting notice, used in the edition of 1852; since that distinction is in all the editions noted by the abbreviations *Heb.* and *Gr.*

affixed to the word in the margin, when the translation is more literal; and the word *Or*, when the translation is for a differing or modified sense. No Bible, meritorious of use in our Churches, can be destitute of the Apocrypha, from which the lessons on certain holy days are taken; and to the Apocrypha the translators introduce marginal references, pertinent, though not numerous. To these references to the Apocrypha, Dr. Blaney added a few others, equally pertinent, inserted among the large number of additional references which he made to the Canonical Scriptures; and all these references to the Apocrypha are found in our standard of 1806 or 1812, but are wanting in the later editions of Oxford. The last generic difference to be noted in the editions used, is observable in the use of the paragraphic marks (¶) employed by the translators. In both the Oxford editions there is a complete, in the Edinburgh a partial, coincidence with the Prince's edition of 1611; while that of 1806 has these marks in greater number, and often in a different location as to the verses. In the chronological dates, the editions used are in agreement, except in a few instances arising from dislocation of type below or above the proper verse, chiefly in the editions of 1806 and 1850, which, however, are rectified in the editions of 1852, the translators, as is well known, using no chronological dates in their margin.

IV.

Of Typographical Errors.—The title of his office indicates to the Typographical Corrector its limits; the views of the Committee with whom he acts and his own, the mode of its exercise. Within the confines of such an office, it may be remarked, that all the English editions employ in the body of the text the letters of the alphabet, repeated when necessary, to indicate the marginal references. The first index in every chapter is always the letter *a*, and so consecutively, with the almost general omission of the letters *j*, *v*, and *w*, for reasons easily apprehended. Exceptions to the omission, exceptions very rare in all the editions, and most rare in that of 1852, are to be found; and the Corrector deems them typographical errors, and would have the proposed standard in this respect of perfect uniformity. The location of any reference to a chapter of the book for which the references are made, is in the regular order of the Sacred books. The exception sometimes occurs of its being placed before all others; but the exception is rare, most rare in the edition of 1852, and is invariably to be counted an error of the press.

Of Punctuation.—The change of a point may stringently affect the sense of a passage. The learning as well as proof-reading accuracy which have evidently been employed on the recent English editions, have so guarded the will of the translators in combination with a regard to uniformity, that an adherence, in any standard in this country, must be conceded to that will. He that, in Luke xiii. 24, 25 (where the words occur, "shall seek to enter in and not be able. When once the master of the house hath risen and shut to the door"), should employ at *able* a comma for a period, would materially change the sense in all the English copies (not for the better, if the Ductor dubitantium of Bishop Taylor is to be trusted), but in doing so would impose an individual opinion upon a doctrinal question; and of other passages,

such as Rom. iv. 1, 1 Cor. xvi. 22, Heb. xiii. 7, and Rev. xiii. 8, the like observations may be made. Dr. Blaney, indeed, carefully attended, as he says, "to the punctuation, not only with a view to preserve the true sense, but also to uniformity as far as was possible." But it would be difficult to find instances in which, by the substitution of a period for a colon, a colon for a semicolon, or that for a comma, or in the use of the parenthesis, he had anywhere substituted his own for the sense of the translators. The same adhesion to that venerated sense, is to be found as to pointing in the editions of 1806, 1851, and 1852, the last being well-nigh identical with the second, and the second with the first, except that both the latter more often use the favorite colon of the translators than the semicolon, the sense remaining unaffected in either, as even in the more variant Edinburgh. In the few passages which occur a second time in different books of Scripture, such as 2 Sam. xxii. compared with Ps. xviii., it might be proper to observe perfect uniformity of punctuation: but the sense in all the editions being unaffected, the rule of adhering to the united voice of the English editions does not permit the Corrector to suggest, even in this immaterial particular, any change.

Of the Indefinite Article.—The English copies follow each other's example in the almost constant use of the article *an* instead of *a*, before even an aspirated *h*; and the dignity of sound as well as practice of the translators justifies the avoidance in the sacred volume of the modern custom of applying in all cases the *a* when the succeeding word begins with an *h* that has an aspirate. There is no question of the use of *a* before a consonant.

Orthography.—Were individual judgment to be exercised in the spelling of words, scarce a page of the sacred volume would not exhibit in each new edition variations from the editions that had gone before. Time may sanction a change in the formation of words by letters, but it is not meet that the Bible should begin the work of innovation. "Music" may be no less musical to the ear and not less agreeable to the eye with a *k* than without one; nor, where the spelling of a word, as *skull* or *scull*, is sometimes varied, is it requisite to sacrifice an agreeable or common variety to uniformity. It is in such cases that a majority of the English copies should decide the doubts or even the preferences of a Corrector of the press.

Of Italicized Words.—Of any two languages, the idiom will always require that, in a translation from one to the other, there must be inserted in the version certain dependent and connecting words which are not in the original. These words have been noted by King James' translators in a smaller type, and in later editions by italic letters. These indexes to what the difference of idiom might require, were made more numerous by the accurate hand of Dr. Blaney, whose revision, as we have seen, has been the standard of all subsequent editions in Great Britain. That where he or the translators may have omitted them, there are no italicized words, or that neither has sometimes superfluously introduced such words, it were rash to affirm. The scholarship of individuals may occasionally detect, or suppose that it detects, such superfluity; but the instances of error would be so rare, and the sense of the passage so unaffected, did the error exist (an existence which would be questioned), that it is preferable to exclude the hand of inno-

vation where the majority of the English copies agree. This observation, sustaining the claims of authority, is to be applied to—

Capital Letters and Parentheses.—Various reasons might be given why a few words, such as Cherubims (preferable to Cherubim), should, in the English copies, for the first time have a capital letter, yet not afterward. But the voice of authority, that is, of a majority of English copies, becomes still more potent when, in such words as *spirit* or *angel*, a doctrinal truth becomes affected. In the case of the words Most High, however, when they are not used as attached adjectives, but instead of one of the sacred names itself, the use of small letters, as occasionally in the edition of 1806, should be made uniform as in the edition of 1852, which is, as usual, the most accurate.

Of Proper Names.—Whether, in the mode of expressing the proper names of the Old and New Testaments, the translators were influenced or not by the Masorites in the former, or by the Greek refugees to Europe after the fall of Constantinople in the other, Dr. Blaney, and the subsequent English standard editions, made no change in this respect. The slightly varied spelling of the same names, occurring in the Old and New Testaments, such as Noe in the latter, for Noah in the former, Juda for Judah, Balac for Balak, has been, in all the British copies, retained. The translators had, no doubt, their reasons, as certainly very good ones might be assigned, for this varied spelling, and no change in this particular could be made under any claim of an error of the press. It may be remarked, however, on this subject, that in Exod. vi. 21, the Zithri of the editions of 1806, 1850, and 1852, should undoubtedly be printed Zichri, as it is in the translators' and Edinburgh editions.

Of the words Lord and God.—There are three names employed in the Old Testament for the Supreme Being—Elohim, Adonai, and Jehovah. The first, whose derivation and plural form speaks what he is or ought to be to us, to be worshipped in the Unity of his essence, but Trinity of persons, is translated *God*. The second, whose derivation intimates that he is the *basis* of all things, without whom the universe would fall to nothing; and the third, whose derivation declares him to be the *Being of all beings*, not only the basis but the perfection, in the concrete and the abstract, are both translated Lord. But the marked distinction is made between the two, by the translators, that the word *Lord* for Adonai is always printed in small letters; for Jehovah, in capitals. In the observance of this mode of printing, the English copies are occasionally, yet very rarely, dissonant, as in Josh. vii. 8, where the editions of 1611 and 1806 have Lord for Adonai in capital letters, while the editions of 1850, 1852, and the Edinburgh, preserving the rule of the translators, have merely the usual smaller type for the letters, except the initial; and so, also, in Ps. cx. 5, where the Edinburgh and 1806 editions, printing in capitals, are corrected by the editions of 1850, 1852, as well as by that of the translators. The point is one of much importance; but, as in the above instances, authority, or the voice of a majority of the editions, will correctly guide a corrector of typographical errors. That guide, it may, in conclusion, be remarked, he would not always have in the use of the vocative O, as distinguished from the optative oh; the only exception, perhaps, in which he would not have it in the printing of the sacred volume.

In bringing this Report to a close, I am aware of the too brief, be-

cause generalizing aspect, it will present to your honorable body, as compared with the deepening interest attached to the subject. But, by the brevity of the Report, the labor bestowed upon the subject will not, I trust, be weighed. I do not regret the hours, the days, the months, I might say the years, nor even the strain upon the finest of the human organs, which have been spent upon the task assigned me, and even before it was assigned; for they have been spent upon the Word of God, and in the service of His Church. But he would little understand the nature of his task, who should suppose that, in the examination of the English Bible and its accessories, word by word, letter by letter, and point by point, no other faculty is required than that of accurately comparing one printer's page with another; or that the task would not often exact all the learning that might be possessed by the Examiner, and awaken many doubts to perplex his mind. The result, indeed, is simple; far otherwise the process. But that process which embraces many thousand written annotations upon the differences in the four editions examined, fortifies the assurance given to the Convention of 1853, by the committee on a Standard Bible. An examination of the medium quarto edition, published at Oxford as the Standard Bible of the Church of England, had resulted, say the committee, "in the discovery of a very few particulars which they would decidedly prefer to change, not one which would importantly affect the sense, and but few, of which a doubt might not be entertained whether they were even typographical errors."

In fulfilling the office assigned me, I would not be supposed ignorant or regardless of the agitation which, within the last few years especially, has risen upon the subject. Most, I might say all, of the pleas for changing or amending the translators' text and its accessories, or rather both, as exhibited in the modern English copies, since the time of Dr. Blaney's revision, I have weighed, and found wanting. With a few exceptions, these pleas do not touch the sense of the translators in the text. But the proposed changes, called typographical, are, in general, so questionable, and indeed have been called to such strict account, that, had the commission of your Reporter been of a wider range than was designed, or than he conceives to have been designed, his prudence would have sustained what his judgment dictated, by not acquiescing in such, too often, sweeping changes.

The tenor of the resolutions of every General Convention since 1823, speaking on the subject of a Standard Bible, has, too plainly to be mistaken, explained the purpose and object of the Church; and this purpose and object I seemed to myself clearly to apprehend. The scholarship of England, and a system of proof-reading more accurate than any to which, in this country, we have attained, produced that edition of the Holy Scriptures, as finally revised by Dr. Blaney, which was published by Eyre and Strahan, in 1806, and which the Church, since the Convention of 1823, has acknowledged its standard. More beautiful in typography, and even more exempt from typographical errors, is that edition of 1852, to which allusion has been so often made in this report; and in which, as has been also explained, the simpler Arabic numbers are employed instead of the cross and parallel lines, for indicating where the marginal readings occur. Than this edition, no safer guide, with one exception, can be found, from which to reprint the standard for the Church in this country. That one exception ex-

ists in the omission of the marginal references to the Apocrypha; which are to be found in the translators' own edition of 1611, in that of D'Oyly and Mant, published by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and republished in this country by Bishop Hobart, and were somewhat increased in number by Dr. Blaney, in the edition of 1806, which is to be considered as yet our standard. These references, therefore, should, in any reprint from the edition of 1852, be reinserted and restored. In a word, a Bible which, with this reinsertion, should make that of 1852 its model, would present as perfect a reprint of the Holy Scriptures, the acknowledged rule of faith in the Church of England, and the American, as human art or skill, in the present day, could effect. That I have sometimes, though rarely, found in that edition points, which, as a typographical corrector, my individual judgment might wish changed, may well be supposed; but in whatever concerns the time-honored palladium of faith to all that speak the Anglo-Saxon tongue, the danger, from even trivial innovation, enforces the sternest reluctance to insert an entering wedge, under the plea of typographical correction. A fancied error of the press is not to be made the plea of varying, still less changing, the sense of the translators, as expressed in their own, and the majority of the authorized editions of the sister Church of England. In this respect, the rule of the Committee with whom I act, is a safe and sufficient protection; so safe, that in a case where the edition of the translators and the present standards of England and our own coincide, a change should be effected only by specially invoking the voice of the General Convention.

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Appendix M.

PROPOSED CANONS WHICH LIE OVER FOR ACTION IN THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1862.

"Canon on the Use of the Book of Common Prayer," proposed by Mr. Hoffman as a substitute for Canon XX., Title I.:—

SECTION 1. Every Minister who may officiate in any Church, Chapel, or other place of public worship, shall, before all sermons and lectures, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church, and in performing said Service, no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said Book.

SECTION 2. The preceding Section shall not apply to cases of a meeting in such Church, Chapel, or other place of public worship, held for the purpose of aiding any missionary, charitable, or ecclesiastical society or enterprise; nor where services are held, or sermons or lectures delivered in the open air: provided, however, that in all such

cases one or more of the Collects, the Lord's Prayer, and the Confession, and either the Apostles' or Nicene Creed, shall be used; and no other prayer than such as is contained in the said Book shall be used.

SECTION 3. The term Church, Chapel, or other place of public worship, shall be construed to mean, for the purposes of this Canon, any building owned or held for the purposes of stated public worship, and which has been used for stated public worship for the space of one year.

SECTION 4. The Bishop of each Diocese may, by general regulation, authorize the use, separately, of the order of Morning Prayer, the Litany, and Communion Service, provided such permission shall not be construed to authorize the entire omission of either Service.

SECTION 5. It shall be lawful for any Bishop, or Missionary Bishop of this Church, to select such parts of the Book of Common Prayer, and such Lessons, Anthems, Psalms, and Hymns, as shall be suitable to be used by any Minister or Missionary of this Church, wherever there is no organized Church or Congregation, having had stated public worship in some fixed place for the period of one year: provided that the Lord's Prayer, Confession, and either the Apostles' or the Nicene Creed, shall form part of such selection. The Bishop may, from time to time, vary or add to such selection.

Canon XX. of Title I. of the Digest is hereby repealed.

Substitute for the same, proposed by Rev. R. S. Mason, D.D.:—

In all Congregations of this Church, in which the Holy Communion is statedly celebrated, the Morning and Evening Services of this Church shall be, during Canonical hours, performed as prescribed by the Rubrics of this Church; and those shall be esteemed Canonical hours in which the Morning and Evening Services of the Church are in any Congregation ordinarily performed. At all other times and occasions of public worship, selections from the Liturgical Offices of this Church may be used, under the direction or permission of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese in which such deviations from the regular Services of the Church may be desirable or requisite.

"Canon of a Bishop who has resigned his Jurisdiction, and become a Parish Minister," proposed by Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason:

Every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Bishop in whose Diocese he resides; and Canons VI. and VII. of 1856 shall be applicable to the case of every resigned Bishop, provided that in the form of the Testimonial in the 2d Section of the VIth Canon, instead of the words, "is a Presbyter," shall be read, "is a resigned Bishop, acting as a Presbyter."

Canon of the same, proposed by Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton:

If any Bishop of this Church shall resign his jurisdiction, and his resignation shall be canonically accepted by the Bishops of this Church, he shall thereupon and thereby become canonically resident within the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, and

shall, until he be restored to jurisdiction by election to the office of a Diocesan or Missionary Bishop, be subject to all the regulations and restrictions, and entitled to all the privileges which apply to the Presbyters of this Church.

Canon of the same, proposed by Rev. Dr. Mahan:

A Bishop resigning his jurisdiction, whose resignation has been duly accepted, shall be subject to the Canons and Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he shall reside; saving only the privileges of his Order, as secured by the Constitution and Canons of this Church.

Canon of the Title of Bishoprics in case of the Division of Dioceses, proposed by Mr. H. D. Evans:

Whereas, our venerable mother the Church of England has always professed the highest respect for the Doctrines, Discipline, and Practice of the Primitive Church of the first four centuries, as also this Church has done:

Whereas, also, through that whole Church in the earliest ages, as well as our Mother Church, and indeed all Churches of Apostolic descent over the whole world at the present time, the usage has prevailed and does prevail (with some small exceptions), that Bishoprics should take their titles from 'cities,' not countries, as 'of Jerusalem,' not 'of Palestine,' 'of Ephesus,' not 'of Ionia,' 'of Canterbury,' not 'of Kent:' and

Whereas, This Church unwittingly adopted a different custom at its first reception of the Episcopacy, in order to correct this anomaly and to bring us back to the universal usage, this Church in General Convention assembled enacts—

§ 1. That, in case of all divisions of Dioceses from this time henceforth, the Bishoprics into which they are divided shall be called each of them by the Title of the largest City within its limits.

Appendix N.—1.

DOCUMENTS OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

LIST OF CONSECRATIONS,

Continued from Journal of 1856, *page* 356.

[The following is republished, in consequence of a typographical error occurring in the Journal of 1853.]

LVI.—BISHOP WAINWRIGHT.

To all the faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, greeting:

Be it known unto you, by these presents, that we, Thomas Church Brownell, D.D., LL.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Connecticut; Francis, by the grace of God, Bishop of Montreal; George Washington Doane, by the grace of God, Bishop of New Jersey; Jackson

Kemper, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Iowa, Wisconsin, etc.; William Heathcote De Lancey, D.D., LL.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Western New York; William Rollinson Whittingham, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Maryland; Carlton Chase, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of New Hampshire; Alonzo Potter, D.D., LL.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Pennsylvania; George Upfold, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Indiana; and John Williams, D.D., by the grace of God, Assistant Bishop of Connecticut, under the protection of Almighty God, in Trinity Church, in the city of New York, on the Wednesday after the Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity, being the 10th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, did then and there, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, consecrate our beloved in Christ, Jonathan Mayhew Wainwright, D.D., D.C.L., Oxon, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church in the city of New York, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the Church of God, he having been duly elected Provisional Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, in Trinity Church in the city of New York, on the day and in the year herein above written.

T. C. Brownell, Bishop of Connecticut, [SEAL.]
F. Montreal, [SEAL.]
G. W. Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of New Jersey, [SEAL.]
Jackson Kemper, D.D., Miss. Bp. of Iowa, Minnesota, etc., [SEAL.]
Wm. Heathcote De Lancey, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Western New York, [SEAL.]
William Rollinson Whittingham, Bp. of Maryland, [SEAL.]
Carlton Chase, D.D., Bishop of New Hampshire, [SEAL.]
George Upfold, Bishop of Indiana, [SEAL.]
John Williams, Epis. Coad. of Connecticut, [SEAL.]

LXIV.—BISHOP BOWMAN.

Know all men by these presents, that we, Jackson Kemper, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Wisconsin, and Missionary Bishop of the North West; William Heathcote De Lancey, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York; Alfred Lee, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware; John Williams, D.D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut; and Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New York, on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, in Christ Church, in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, did admit our beloved in Christ, Samuel Bowman, D.D., Rector of St. James' Church, in the city of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office

of Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and him, the said Samuel Bowman, did then and there rightly and canonically consecrate a Bishop, according to the form and manner prescribed and used by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

In testimony whereof, we have affixed to these presents our Episcopal signatures and seals, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

JACKSON KEMPER, [SEAL.]
WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, [SEAL.]
ALFRED LEE, [SEAL.]
JOHN WILLIAMS, [SEAL.]
HORATIO POTTER, [SEAL.]

LXV.—BISHOP GREGG.

Know all men by these presents, that we, John Henry Hopkins, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont; Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Kentucky, appointed Consecrator; James Hervey Otey, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Tennessee; Leonidas Polk, D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Louisiana; Stephen Elliott, Jr., D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Georgia; William Mercer Green, D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi; Thomas Frederick Davis, D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina; and Thomas Atkinson, D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, in the Monumental Church, in the city of Richmond, in the Diocese of Virginia, on Thursday, being the thirteenth day of October, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, did then and there rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Rev. Alexander Gregg, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the Church of God, he having been duly elected Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Texas.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, in the city of Richmond, and Diocese of Virginia, on the thirteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

JOHN H. HOPKINS, Bishop of Vermont, [SEAL.]
B. B. SMITH, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Kentucky. [SEAL.]
JAMES H. OTEY, Bp. of the Diocese of Tennessee, [SEAL.]
LEONIDAS POLK, Bishop of Louisiana, [SEAL.]
STEPHEN ELLIOTT, Bp. of the Diocese of Georgia, [SEAL.]
WM. M. GREEN, Bishop of Mississippi, [SEAL.]
THOMAS F. DAVIS, Bishop of South Carolina, [SEAL.]
THOMAS ATKINSON, Bishop of North Carolina, [SEAL.]

LXVI.—BISHOP ODENHEIMER.

In the name of God: Amen.

all the faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, greeting:

it known unto you by these presents, that we, William Meade, , Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia; Samuel Allen McCoskry, , D.C.L., Bishop of Michigan; William Rollinson Whittingham, , Bishop of Maryland; Carlton Chase, D.D., Bishop of New pshire; Cicero Stephens Hawks, D.D., Bishop of Missouri; zo Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; Williams, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Connecticut, under the pro- on of Almighty God, on the Thursday after the Sixteenth Sunday Trinity, being the thirteenth day of October, in the year of our one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, in St. Paul's Church, e city of Richmond, State of Virginia, in the presence of divers e Clergy and Laity, did admit our well-beloved in Christ, William y Odenheimer, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, in the city hiladelphia, Diocese and State of Pennsylvania, of whose suffi- y in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, ere fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop of the Protestant copal Church in the Diocese of New Jersey, to which the said iam Henry Odenheimer hath been duly elected by the Convention e said Diocese, as appears unto us by due testimony thereof by produced; and him, the said William Henry Odenheimer, did then there rightly and canonically consecrate a Bishop, according to nanner and form prescribed and used by the Protestant Episcopal ch in the United States of America.

testimony whereof, we have affixed to these presents our Episco- ignatures and seals at Richmond, aforesaid, on the day and year e written.

WILLIAM MEADE, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, [SEAL.]
SAMUEL A. MCCOSKRY, Bishop of Michigan, [SEAL.]
WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM, Bishop of Maryland, [SEAL.]
ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware, Preacher, but not uniting in the imposition of hands, [SEAL.]
CARLTON CHASE, D.D., Bishop of New Hampshire, [SEAL.]
C. S. HAWKS, D.D., Bishop of Missouri, [SEAL.]
ALONZO POTTER, Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, [SEAL.]
JOHN WILLIAMS, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Connecticut, [SEAL.]

LXVII.—BISHOP BEDELL.

In the name of God: Amen.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus, greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, William Meade, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, Charles P. M'Ilvaine, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, J. Johns, D.D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, Manton Eastburn, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts, George Upfold, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Indiana, Francis Huger Rutledge, D.D., Bishop of Florida, Horatio Potter, D.D., Provisional Bishop of New York, John Payne, D.D., Missionary Bishop at Cape Palmas, &c., West Africa, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, on the thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, in Saint Paul's Church, in the City of Richmond, and State and Diocese of Virginia, in the presence of divers of the Clergy, and of a public congregation, did admit our well-beloved in Christ, Gregory Thurston Bedell, Presbyter of the Diocese of New York, and Rector of the Church of the Ascension, in the City of New York, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, to which the said Gregory Thurston Bedell hath been elected by the Convention of the said Diocese, and him, the said Gregory Thurston Bedell, did then and there rightly and canonically consecrate a Bishop according to the manner and form prescribed and used by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

In testimony whereof we have affixed to these presents our Episcopal signatures and seals, at the City of Richmond aforesaid, the day and year above written.

WILLIAM MEADE, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, [SEAL.]

CHAS. P. M'ILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, [SEAL.]

J. JOHNS, D.D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, [SEAL.]

MANTON EASTBURN, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts, [SEAL.]

GEORGE UPFOLD, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Indiana, [SEAL.]

FRANCIS HUGER RUTLEDGE, D.D., Bishop of Florida, [SEAL.]

HORATIO POTTER, Provisional Bishop of New York, [SEAL.]

JNO. PAYNE, Missionary Bishop at Cape Palmas, etc., West Africa, [SEAL.]

LXVIII.—BISHOP WHIPPLE.

In the name of God: Amen.

ll the faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, greeting:

t known unto you by these presents, that we, Jackson Kemper, LL.D., Bishop of Wisconsin; William Heathcote De Lancey, LL.D., D.C.L. Oxon, Bishop of Western New York; Nicholas er Cobbs, D.D., Bishop of Alabama; George Burgess, D.D., of Maine; Henry John Whitehouse, D.D., Bishop of Illinois; s Fielding Scott, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Washington and 1 Territories; Henry Washington Lee, D.D., Bishop of Iowa; s March Clark, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island; Samuel Bow-).D., Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania; under the protection ighty God, on the Thursday after the Sixteenth Sunday after r, being the thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord ousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, in Saint James's Church, in y of Richmond, State and Diocese of Virginia, in the presence ers of the Clergy and a public congregation, did admit our well- d in Christ, Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., a Presbyter of the e of Illinois and Rector of the Free Church of the Holy Com- n in the city of Chicago, of whose sufficiency in good learning, ness in the faith, and purity of manners we were ascertained, into ice of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese nnesota, to which the said Henry Benjamin Whipple hath been l by the Convention of the said Diocese; and him, the said Benjamin Whipple, did then and there rightly and canonically rate a Bishop, according to the manner and form prescribed and by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of ca.

estimony whereof, we have affixed to these presents our Episcopal nres and seals at Richmond aforesaid, the day and year above n.

JACKSON KEMPER, Bishop of Wisconsin, [SEAL.]
WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, Bishop of Western New York, [SEAL.]
NICHOLAS HAMNER COBBS, Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, [SEAL.]
GEORGE BURGESS, Bishop of the Diocese of Maine, [SEAL.]
HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, Bishop of Illinois, [SEAL.]
THOMAS F. SCOTT, Missionary Bishop of Oregon, etc., [SEAL.]
HENRY W. LEE, Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa, [SEAL.]
THOMAS M. CLARK, Bishop of Rhode Island, [SEAL.]
S. BOWMAN, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, [SEAL.]

LXIX.—BISHOP LAY.

[January 27, 1860. The Letter of Consecration of the Missionary Bishop of the South West up to this date had not been prepared. It will appear in the Journal of 1862.—*Secretary of the House of Bishops.*]

Appendix Z.—2.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON CHURCH UNITY.

The Commission on Church Unity report that they have had one meeting during the recess of the General Convention, and have not seen cause for more. In consequence of the restricted nature of the powers committed to them, no occasion for action consistent therewith has been presented. At the same time, however, your Committee have seen, with much gratification and encouragement, impressive evidence that among several of the various forms and confessions which divide the Protestant Christian community, not only of this country, but of Europe, also especially of Great Britain, there is an increasing sense of the magnitude of the evils involved in, or resulting from the present divisions; a growing desire and searching of heart not only for more of the unity of the spirit, but also for more of the unity of the spirit in that "*bond* of peace," which nothing but a close harmony and communion in visible Church institutions can create. Your Committee perceive this increase in a more active inquiry, in various ways, into the nature and extent of the evils of which our present separations are the cause; in books which have recently been issued on the subject, which, whatever the soundness of their views, evince an encouraging earnestness to discover the true remedy and its most effective application; in the nearer drawing together of brethren of differing ecclesiastical institutions, but essentially the same Christian faith, on grounds common to all, for affectionate intercourse, sympathy, and prayer; above all, in the increase, far and wide, of a spirit of prayer, to confess before God the greatness of the evil and the helplessness of His people without His guiding, sanctifying, overruling grace, to apply the remedy.

For all this we bless "the God of all grace and consolation." For the far wider extension and strengthening of all such good desires and efforts, your Committee unite their earnest prayers, with those of their brethren in this House. The daily prayer of the Church on earth—"thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,"—is the family prayer of all the household of faith, for a blessed union among all the subjects of that kingdom, not only in the inner life of the living branches of the true Vine, by participation in the one spirit of Christ, but in its manifestation and outworking also, by a brotherly harmony and communion, as laborers together with God in all the work committed of God to his Church on earth.

The Commission recommend a continuance of the reference of the subject of Church Unity to a Committee of the House of Bishops.

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. P. McILVAINE, *Chairman.*

Appendix N.—3.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

The undersigned, Registrar of the General Convention, respectfully reports:

That the "Books, Journals, Papers, Documents," etc., in his keeping, remain as reported by him three years ago; except that, in the interval, he has rearranged them, with a view to greater facility of reference. He respectfully refers to his former Report (page 358, Journal of 1856) for a List of the Documents committed to his charge.

J. H. HOBART, *Registrar.*

New York, Oct., 1859.

Appendix N.—4.

MEMORIAL OF THE REV. MR. LAMSON.

At a meeting of the male members of the Congregation of American Episcopalians worshipping in Paris, under the charge of the Rev. W. O. Lamson, held on the 11th of April, 1859, pursuant to public notice given at Divine Service on the previous Sunday, the following Report of the Committee on the organization of the Church, was submitted by its Chairman, the Hon. Hamilton Fish, and, on motion, was unanimously adopted. The following named gentlemen were subsequently elected Wardens and Vestrymen:

HAMILTON FISH, } Wardens.
GEO. F. JONES, }

H. S. LANSING,
EDWARD BEYLARD, M.D., } Vestrymen.
JOHN LAMSON,
DANIEL LEROY,

The Committee appointed to report on the name and on the organization of the American Protestant Episcopal Congregation in Paris, and also on the powers of a Vestry, or on a Permanent Committee in lieu of a Vestry,

Respectfully submit the accompanying plan of organization, embracing, in the opinion of the Committee, the several points submitted to them:

The Committee are of opinion, that in case the accompanying plan of organization be adopted by the Congregation, the appointment of a Committee resident in the United States, may be of most important aid; this Committee need perhaps only be temporary.

They recommend, therefore, the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Rev. Dr. Vinton, Rev. Dr. Morgan, Mr. B. R. Winthrop, and Hon. John A. Dix, be appointed a Committee to aid, by counsel and otherwise, the objects, the establishment, and maintenance of the American Episcopal Church in Paris; and that this Committee

be requested in their discretion to add to their number, and to appoint anxiliary Committees.

The American Protestant Episcopalians in Paris, who have associated and formed a Congregation under the ministrations and charge of the Rev. W. O. Lamson, gratefully acknowledging the opportunities, which, under the Divine blessing, have been thereby afforded to them, do adopt the following

PLAN OF ORGANIZATION.

I. The Church shall be known as "The American Protestant Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Paris," and shall ever profess and maintain the faith and doctrines, and shall forever worship according to the forms and usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

II. There shall be a Vestry, to consist of the Rector and six male lay members of the Congregation, of whom two shall be Wardens. The lay members of the Vestry shall be chosen by the adult male members of the Congregation who either being Communicants of the Church, or having been for not less than one year regular attendants upon the services, and contributors to the support and maintenance of this Church, or of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, shall also, for at least three months immediately preceding the election, have been attendants upon, and have either purchased, or hired, and paid for seats in this Church.

III. The first election of Wardens and Vestrymen shall be made by the Congregation present immediately upon the adoption of this plan of organization. They shall forthwith be divided by lot into two classes (each class to consist of one Warden and two Vestrymen), the term of office of one class shall continue until the persons to be chosen in 1860, shall enter upon the duties of their office; the term of the other class shall continue until the persons to be chosen in 1861, shall enter upon the duties of their office. The Wardens and Vestrymen thereafter to be elected, shall be elected, and shall serve for two ecclesiastical years, and until their successors shall be chosen and shall enter upon the duties of their office.

IV. The election of Wardens and Vestrymen shall regularly be held on the Monday in Easter Week in each year, at such place and at such time (betweeen the hours of eleven in the forenoon and five in the afternoon), as the Vestry shall from time to time designate.

Notice of the time and place of holding the election shall be given, during morning service, for two successive Sundays immediately preceding the holding thereof, and also, in case the Vestry deem proper, in any other manner that they shall direct.

The elections shall be by ballot, and the persons having the largest number of votes for the representative offices shall be chosen. The polls shall, at all times, be kept open for one hour, and not longer; the elections shall be held by such persons and under such regulations, and shall be certified in such manner as the Vestry by general regulations shall direct.

V. A quorum of the Vestry shall consist of not less than four members; provided the Rector, or one at least of the Wardens, shall be of that number.

Any vacancy which shall occur in the Vestry from death or resigna-

tion, or the permanent removal from Paris of any Warden or Vestryman, shall be temporarily filled by the Vestry, on the nomination of the Rector, or if the office of Rector be vacant, or the Rector be absent from the Parish, then by the Vestry without such nomination—the person thus appointed is to serve during the remainder of the term of him in whose place he may have been appointed.

VI. The Vestry shall have charge of all the temporal affairs of the Church, shall appoint a Secretary and a Treasurer from their own number, shall appoint and employ, at their discretion, such subordinate officers and agents as they shall deem necessary, shall keep minutes of their proceedings, and shall, from time to time, make such regulations as they shall think proper for the management of the Church. They shall, by standing rules, prescribe the time and manner of calling and holding their own meetings, and the order and mode of transacting their own business.

They may recommend any amendments or additions to this plan of organization, and such amendments or additions shall take effect, and become operative as part of the plan of organization, provided they receive the written assent and approval of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, but not otherwise; and no amendment or addition can be made that shall not be conformable to the laws and regulations of France. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the Rectorship, it shall be filled by the Vestry with the written assent and approval of the Presiding Bishop aforesaid, but not without such assent. The Rector shall preside at the meetings of the Vestry, if he be present; if he be not present, one of the Wardens shall preside.

VII. This Congregation desires to, and hereby does, place itself under the ecclesiastical control and supervision of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, which is hereby requested to take into consideration, at its next meeting, the establishment and condition of this Church, and either to take it under its own jurisdiction, or to attach it to some one Diocese, and otherwise to take such action as to the Convention shall seem proper.

VIII. The Rector shall report to the General Convention at its next meeting, the condition and prospects of the Church, together with a copy of this plan of organization, and also any statement, report, or suggestion, which the Vestry shall think proper to make.

To the Right Reverend the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

MEMORIAL.

The undersigned, a Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, canonically attached to the Diocese of New York, but at present officiating as Rector of "The American Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Paris, France," respectfully represents:

That at the formal organization of the Church in Paris, at a meeting held in April last by the American Episcopalians, to whom he had been ministering for several months previous, it was made his duty to present at the next meeting of the General Convention of the Church

in America, an account of the condition and prospects of the Church, together with suggestions or statements which the Vestry might think proper to make. The undersigned proceeds to discharge this duty by laying before both Houses of the General Convention such information as to the establishment, operation, and needs of the Church in Paris, as shall afford a proper basis for any action that may be deemed wise in the premises.

Strong convictions, founded upon personal observation, of the need and importance of an American Episcopal Church and Ministry in Paris, induced the undersigned to submit his views to several of the Bishops and many of the Clergy and Laity of the Church, by whom they were approved, and from whom he received such encouragement as persuaded him to give himself to the work. Accordingly, on the 15th of August, 1858, soon after his arrival, he held the first service in Paris, in the attempt to found here a Church for the ministration of the manifold blessings of our beloved American Church. After a brief interruption, the services were resumed on the 12th September, 1858—since which time they have been regularly held. Up to a recent date, and while waiting for permission from the French Government to establish them independently, they were held under the protection of a French Protestant Chapel, and amid great inconveniences, among which was the inability to have more than one Service on Sunday. Upon the issue of the needful authority, the Services were removed, on the 15th May last, to a more convenient locality, and a second Service for the first time established. The present place of worship is too small for the wants of the Church, unattractive in its appointments, and devoted to secular uses during the week; and therefore necessarily surrounded with inconveniences by which the usefulness of the Church is hindered. Yet it is weekly filled with a devout congregation, but a small portion of which is permanent, or even the same from Sunday to Sunday. And the great satisfaction which large numbers thus find in its familiar and beloved worship, together with the yet more important private ministrations, have fully justified the convictions on which the movement was based. It would not be proper, even were it necessary, to state here the many considerations which have from the first urged, and do now more strongly than ever urge, the adoption of all necessary measures to give permanence to an establishment that has so promptly and fully evinced its great and signal usefulness. Moved by them, the zealous and intelligent Congregation of American Episcopalians that had been drawn together here, proceeded in April last to organize the Church—with the aid of two of the Bishops of our Church, who were then in Europe—upon a plan that should surround it with the necessary protection, and afford it all possible facilities for its work. A copy of this plan of organization is submitted herewith, in order that it may receive any modification or amendment which the wisdom of the General Convention may judge necessary or proper. Its form was adopted by the Congregation, subject to such a revisal by the highest legislative authority of the Church; and it is their earnest prayer that its general provisions may receive such attention at the hands of the General Convention as will not only place the Church here in proper relation to the Church at home, but also to give to it the great moral support of such sanction as can be accorded to it. All care has been used to draw as closely as possible its ties to the Church at home, as

well as to avoid all unnecessary departures from the letter and spirit of the Constitution and Canons of the Church. Provision has also been made to preserve the integrity of its Constitution, by requiring all proposed amendments thereto to have the sanction of the Senior Bishop of the House of Bishops.

The relations of the Church to the establishments of the Anglican branch of the Church here are of the most friendly character; and, by the demonstration it affords of their common faith and purpose, it is calculated to draw more closely the bonds of sympathy between the two branches of the Church.

It only remains that the undersigned present to the General Convention the following statement of the parochial or pastoral work performed during the eleven months of his Ministry here, amid hindrances and inconveniences of the most serious kind.

There have been 75 public Services held—during which there have been 18 administrations (public) of the Holy Communion, showing an average of nearly *forty* Communicants.

There have been *three* public Confirmations by Bishops of the American Church. The first was held by the Right Rev. the Bishop of South Carolina, on the 17th October last; the second by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Western New York, on the 21st March last; the third by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Pennsylvania, on the 29th May last—the number in all of persons confirmed being seven.

There have been eleven Baptisms—three adults and eight infants; one Marriage, and four Burials. Visitation and Communion of the Sick and Consolation of the Dying, have in several instances testified to the great value and comfort of the Church's Ministry here.

These results may be regarded as only the beginning of the usefulness that is so significantly promised to this young Church. When its existence shall be more widely known, its ministrations of every kind will be more numerously and generally sought. And it is in view of such future usefulness, as well as of its present necessities, that the Rector and Vestry are anxious to remove the only remaining obstacle to the full exercise of its happy influence—the want of a suitable building, fitly appointed, and entirely consecrated to holy uses. This they hope soon to accomplish through the Christian zeal and aid of Churchmen at home and abroad; and to this end they earnestly ask at the hands of the General Convention some action which shall sanction its existence, general objects, and claims, and commend it to the support and encouragement of the Church at large.

WILLIAM O. LAMSON.

Paris 7th September 1859.

Appendix N.—5.

BISHOP DE LANCEY'S LETTER.

LONDON, ENGLAND, *May 30th*, 1859.

To the Right Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D.D., Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:—

I deem it to be matter both of interest and propriety that I should, before leaving England, communicate to you as Presiding Bishop, in such form that it may be put on record in connection with the history of our American Protestant Episcopal Church, THE FACT that a Bishop of our branch of the Church has, in my person, been for the first time a participant in the act of Consecration of a Colonial Bishop* of the Church of England and Ireland, and also of a Bishop of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

I therefore address to you this brief letter, to be laid before the House of Bishops at the approaching General Convention.

As Bishop of Western New York, I was present, by invitation, at the services in Westminster Abbey, on the twenty-fourth day of February of this current year, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, at the Consecration of the Reverend George Hills as Bishop of British Columbia; and I united, by request of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Consecrator, with the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishops of London, Oxford, Norwich, and Newfoundland, in the imposition of hands on the Rev. George Hills, thus consecrated as Bishop of British Columbia.

The Bishop designate was presented for Consecration by the Bishops of Oxford and Norwich, and the sermon was preached by the Bishop of London. I assisted also with the other Bishops in the administration of the Lord's Supper by the distribution of the elements. The following are the names of the Bishops present, viz.: John Bird Sumner, Archbishop, and Consecrator; Archibald Campbell Tait, Bishop of London, Samuel Wilberforce, Bishop of Oxford, John Thomas Pelham, Bishop of Norwich, Edward Field, Bishop of Newfoundland, William Heathcote De Lancey, Bishop of Western New York—Assistants.

I was present also by invitation at the Services in St. Paul's Church, Edinburgh, Scotland, on the twenty-sixth day of April, being Tuesday in Easter week, of this current year, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, at the Consecration of the Reverend William Scot Wilson as Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway, and by invitation of the Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, the Rev. Charles Hughes Terrott, Bishop of Edinburgh, I united with the Primus, the Consecrator, the Bishop of St. Andrew's, Dunkeld, and Dunblane, the Bishop of Brechin, and Bishop Walter John Trower, assistants, in the imposition of hands.

* The Right Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Ohio, united in the imposition of hands at the Consecration of the Bishop of Lincoln, in 1853.

The Bishop-elect was presented by the Bishop of St. Andrew's, Dunkeld, and Dunblane, and the Bishop of Brechin; and the Sermon was preached by Bishop Walter John Trower.

The names of the Bishops uniting in the Consecration are as follows: Charles Hughes Terrott, Primus and Consecrator; Charles Wordsworth, Bishop of St. Andrew's, Dunkeld, and Dunblane, Alexander Penrose Forbes, Bishop of Brechin, Walter John Trower, late Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway, and William Heathcote De Lancey, Bishop of Western New York, in the United States of America—Assistants.

I was cordially welcomed to these solemn services as a Bishop of the American Protestant Episcopal Church with warm expressions of sympathy and affection.

I earnestly commend you to the grace of God, and imploring the Divine blessing on his Church here and at home,

I remain, most sincerely and faithfully,

Your friend and brother,

WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY,

Bp. of Western New York.

Appendix O.

I.

THE CHURCH OF SWEDEN.

In an interview at the Bishop of London's with Count Platen, the Swedish Minister in England, he very courteously offered to obtain any information respecting the Church of Sweden that I might wish to possess. In consequence of this kind offer, the following correspondence took place. The answer of his Lordship was not received in time for the General Convention; but, having reached me before the printing of the Journal is completed, the Secretary has consented to publish it, on my responsibility, as an Appendix to the Journal,—in which the Bishops, to whom I had named the correspondence, would doubtless have directed it to be inserted.

Geneva, N. Y., March 21, 1860. WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY.

II.

LONDON, *June* 6, 1859.

MY DEAR COUNT PLATEN:

Agreeably to your very kind permission, I address you a few questions in regard to the Church of Sweden.

At the last General Convention or Synod of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, a Commission was appointed to take measures to open an intercourse between the Church of Sweden and our Church in America. I am not one of the Commission, but the information, you are so kind as to offer, will be most gratefully received. I am not aware of their having made application directly to your Church authorities. Will you allow me to say to them, on my return, that they may address themselves to you for information and guidance?

Your knowledge of the English language will greatly aid them in the communication of their views and wishes. * * *

[*The forty questions appear in connection with the answers.*]

I trust your Lordship will not be alarmed at the extent of my inquiries. I regret that my absence from London has deprived me of the opportunity of personal intercourse on these points. I am to leave England on the 11th instant for home. I leave London to-day. A letter can reach me at Liverpool before I start. Please to address all letters and papers to me to the care of Stephen B. Guion, Esq., Liverpool, England, who will forward them to me in America.

With profound acknowledgments of your kindness in offering me this information, and praying God to bless you and yours,

I remain, respectfully and truly,

Your Lordship's most obedient servant,

(Signed,) WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY.

To his Excellency Count PLATEN, Swedish Minister London.

III.

LONDON, 49 GROSVENOR PLACE, S. W., 16*th Feb.*, 1860.

MY DEAR BISHOP:

You may feel astonished at my not having given an earlier answer to your letter of June 6th, last year; but I hope you will allow my wish to give sure and satisfactory answers to your questions sufficiently to give an excuse. Such as they are, I now send them. The source from which they have been drawn is such that I feel full confidence in their exactitude.

I should feel sincerely happy if, in any way, they would contribute to a closer communion between confessors of the Protestant faith in the Old and in the New World. If, in furtherance of such an end, I can be of any use, I hope you will not doubt my willingness, but confide your wishes to, my dear Bishop,

Yours, very truly,

PLATEN.

Rt. Rev. Dr. DE LANCEY, Bishop of Western New York.

IV

1. *Is the Church established by law in Sweden?*

Yes! Its fundamental law is the "decretum Upsaliense," or decree of the Synod at Upsala, 1593. Its constitution is laid down in the Swedish Church-law of 1686, and subsequent statutes, by which that law has been altered or augmented. As a great part of this law is now antiquated, a new one has been prepared, but has not yet been under discussion at the Diet. Partial alterations of the old law have been, and are still being made, partly by the Diet with the sanction of the King, partly by decrees issued by the King alone. The representation of the Church coincides with that of the State at the triennial meetings of the Diet, or Swedish Parliament.

2. *What amount of support in money does the State grant?*

3. *In what ways is the aid of the State applied?*

As the Church of Sweden is almost entirely maintained by tithes and rates, paid by the holders of property in each separate parish, the amount of money granted directly by the State is very inconsiderable, amounting to about 30,000 Rix-dollars annually. Of this, 11,000 goes to supplying the spiritual wants of the poor Laplanders in the north of Sweden, and the rest to salaries, etc.

4. *Are Ministers regarded and treated as officers of the State?*

Yes!

5. *Do the Ministers exercise any civil power in legislation or administration?*

In legislation the Clergy take an important part, by sending delegates to the Diet, at which they constitute the Second Order, ("Staud.") This is formed of the 12 Bishops, 45 Ministers, ("Kyrkoherdar," pastors.) elected from the different Dioceses and the town of Stockholm; 2 Professors elected by the Universities, (Upsala and Lund); 2 Professors from the Academy of Science at Stockholm. The "Comministers" have also the right of sending one of their own choice from each Diocese, and one ditto for Stockholm; but they do not always make use of it, on account of the expense.

In administration, Ministers exercise a civil power in many instances. For example: at the meetings of the rate-paying members of the parish, the Minister is always chairman; license to marriage can only be granted by the Clergy,—in each case, in that parish where the bride has her residence; the Consistories over which the respective Bishops preside constitute ecclesiastical Courts, where appeals are received and judgment given, not only in purely ecclesiastical matters, but also in many instances where civil matters are mixed with ecclesiastical.

6. *Are the Ministers elected to their respective parishes by the Congregation, or appointed by the State?*

In some parishes, (418,) the Minister is appointed by the King; but in most of them, (629,) the Minister is elected by the Congregation, who choose one of three, presented by the Consistory. In 97 parishes, the Minister is appointed by a "Patron," who has such a right, as owner of some large estate in the parish. 68 parishes are prebends to the Bishops, Theological Professors, and Lectors at the Universities and the higher schools.

The Ministers are generally assisted by "Comministers," (resident Curates,) who are chosen by the congregation in the same way as the Ministers.

7. *Is any provision made by the State for aged or disabled Clergymen, or for the widows and children of deceased Ministers?*

The State does not provide any direct means for this purpose; but Ministers, when disabled by age or illness, are, by the Consistory, provided with a Curate, who resides with the Minister, and is paid by him, the Minister retaining the income of his living. Poor Curates, in case of illness, receive support from a "cassa pauperum sacerdotum" in each Diocese. The widows and children of deceased Ministers receive the income of the living for one, or, in case of great poverty, for two or three years after the death of the husband or father, (with the obligation to maintain the officiating clergyman.) Afterwards, they receive an annual (small) support from funds contributed annually by all the Ministers of the Diocese.

8. *Do Ministers report statedly to the Government the condition and progress, and all the statistics of their parishes?*

Such reports are given: (1.) To the Ecclesiastical Department every third year, about the national schools, of which there is one in every parish. (2.) To the Board of Statistics, annually, is to be reported about alterations in the population, by births, marriages, deaths, by emigration or the contrary; about vaccination of children, the condition of the harvest, remarkable occurrences in nature, etc. (3.) A summary of the above is to be given every fifth year. (4.) Report of births, marriages, and deaths in noblemen's families to be sent annually to the Heraldic office. (5.) To the respective Judicial Courts, are sent quarterly and half-yearly reports about deaths that have taken place (in order that widows and fatherless children may be taken care of, when necessary).

9. *Are all Church buildings erected and repaired by the State?*

The Churches are both erected and repaired by the Congregations. Sometimes, when a new Church is to be built, collections are made over the whole country in aid of the funds of that parish, which has to pay the expenses. In some parishes, where there is a "patron," who appoints the Minister, he must also maintain the Churches

10. *What style of architecture, and what material are employed?*

The design to new Churches is to be approved of by a Government officer for that purpose. There is no decided "style of architecture" employed. The new Churches are made large, of stone or brick, and sometimes also of wood, (in the Northern provinces).

11. *Are contributions for charity, or for Church and benevolent objects, regularly made by the Congregations, and on what system or plan?*

Voluntary contributions to such objects are made by collections in the Churches, at marriages, baptisms, etc., and also by subscriptions. The chief contributions for maintaining Churches and schools are, however, made by rates decided upon at regular meetings of the parishioners, with the Minister as chairman.

12. *Is the form of the Ministry in the Established Church of Sweden exclusively Episcopal?*

Yes! (See Doctor A. E. Knos' book: "K. Darstellung der vornehmsten Eigenthümligkeiten der Schwedishen Kirchenverfassung—Stuttgard, 1852.")

13. *From what source is the Episcopacy derived?*

The Episcopacy in Sweden is almost as ancient as the introduction of Christianity in the IXth—XIIth centuries. *Ansgarius* (born in France 801) was sent as Missionary to Sweden, and arrived there 829. He was afterwards made Archbishop at Hamburg, with ecclesiastical power over the whole Scandinavia. He ordained and sent to Sweden, its first Bishop, *Gautbert* or *Simon*, 837. Ansgarius died February 4th, 865, in Bremen, to which place his residency had been changed. During the following century, regular Bishoprics were erected in Sweden at Upsala, Linköping, Skara, Westeras, and Wexio. The first Swedish Synod was held 1152 at Linköping, under the presidency of the Cardinal Nicolaus Albanensis (afterwards Pope Hadrian IV.). At this Synod, it was decided that a Swedish Archbishopric should be erected at Upsala, which was done 1164, when *Stephanus* became Archbishop there. After the Synod at Skenninge, 1248, where the Church matters were regulated according to the usages in the Church generally at that time, Bishops were elected by "Collegia Canonicorum," the election was approved of by the King, and sanctioned by the Pope. At the Reformation, Gustavus I. retained the Bishoprics as before. Before the Reformation, the Bishoprics in Sweden were only six, viz.: Upsala, Linköping, Skara, Strengnäs, Westeras, and Wexio. To these, came in 1660, Lund, when the Province of Scania was seceded by Denmark. Superintendents were appointed, after the Reformation, at Gothenburg, Calmar, Carlstad, Hernösand, and Wisby, which were afterwards made Bishops; at the three last mentioned places in 1772.

14. *Is the Episcopal form of the Ministers regarded as of Divine authority and obligation, or as matter of expediency?*

The Episcopacy, as it is after the Reformation, is considered as the best and most ancient form of Church government, but is not regarded as of Divine institution.

15. *Is there a succession of Bishops, from the Apostles down, in the Swedish Church?*

Yes! It is generally considered so, as the first Evangelical Lutheran

Archbishop, *Laurentius Petri* (Nericius) was ordained 1531, by the Roman Catholic Bishop at Westeras, Petrus Magni.

16. *Is such a succession traceable through any National Church to Sweden, and through what Church?*

As the first Bishops in Sweden were ordained by the Archbishops at Bremen, the succession in question can be traced from thence, and seems afterwards never to have been interrupted in Sweden. (See Qu. No. 13.)

17. *What number of Bishops is there in Sweden, and what power do they exercise?*

The number is twelve, with the Archbishop included. They have a great deal of influence, as members of the Diet, as presiding over the Consistories, and as Ephori over all the public schools in their respective Dioceses. They also convene provincial Synods, over which they preside, make visitations in the parishes, etc.

18. *By whom are the Bishops appointed?*

The King appoints one of three, who have obtained the greatest number of votes from the Clergy in the Diocese. The Archbishop is likewise appointed by the King; but at the previous election for the three candidates, the following have an equal share: the Clergy of the Diocese of Upsala; the Consistory of the University at Upsala; the Consistory of the Clergy at Stockholm; and the Consistories of the twelve Dioceses.

19. *By whom are the Bishops consecrated?*

By the Archbishop.

20. *What is the extent of a Diocese in territory and population?*

At the end of 1855 this was, as near as could be ascertained, as follows:

Upsala	Diocese.....	580	Swedish quadr. miles,	with	327,862	inhabitants.
Linköping	"	350	"	"	349,794	"
Skara	"	230	"	"	299.850	"
Strengnäs	"	230	"	"	237.643	"
Westeras	"	725	"	"	281.707	"
Wexio	"	330	"	"	271.287	"
Lund's	"	250	"	"	576.040	"
Götheborg's	"	250	"	"	399,718	"
Calmar	"	100	"	"	126,164	"
Carlstad's	"	450	"	"	321.186	"
Hernösand's	"	4.280	"	"	303,144	"
Wisby	"	58	"	"	46,985	"
Stockholm (town of.).....					97,952	"

21. *Is the form of Consecration prescribed, and can a copy of it be obtained?*

Yes! See Cap. 13, of the Swedish Agenda of 1811 ("Svenska Kyrko-Handboken"), which can easily be obtained from any bookseller in Sweden.

22. *Are forms of worship used for Sunday and daily service, for Baptism, Matrimony, the Holy Communion, and other holy public offices?*

Yes! (See previous question.)

23. *Is any part of public worship extemporary?*

No! the Liturgy is always used.

24. *Is preaching extemporary, or by written discourses?*

It is done in both ways. The tendency is now to the former, although the latter is perhaps at present the most prevalent.

25. *Has the Swedish Church, Articles of Belief which the Clergy profess, and are required to sign at Ordination?*

At the Ordination (see the Swedish Agenda, Cap. 14), each Candidate declares that he will be faithful to the doctrines contained in the Holy Scriptures, and expounded by the "unchanged confessio Augustana," and decretum Upsaliense of 1593.

26. *Does the Swedish Church adopt the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed?*

Yes!

27. *Are there Synods, and what powers do they possess? and how are they constituted and composed?*

No general Synod has been held in Sweden since 1593; but diocesan Synods are frequently held (according to law, every sixth year). At these, many important questions are discussed, both with respect to the concerns of the Diocese in particular, and the state of the Church of Christ in general. These Synods last three days, and begin each day with a solemn service in the Cathedral, after which the Clergy proceed to another room for deliberation. Laymen are freely admitted, but do not take part in the proceedings.

Among subjects, which are here decided upon, may be mentioned: the amount of salary to be paid to Curates; the annual support to be given to widows and children of deceased Clergymen; the classification of parishes; the education in the national schools; the formation of parish libraries; the holding of Bible meetings, etc. Orations are also held, and doctrinal questions discussed.

There are also in many districts of the respective Dioceses, meetings held by the Clergy belonging to such a district; but these have no power of imposing laws, and serve only to mutual encouragement in doing good.

28. *Are the laity admitted as members of the Synods?*

As auditors, but not as members. (See above.)

29. *What offices may laymen hold in the Church, if any?*

No laymen can hold any purely Clerical office. Laymen are admitted as members of the Consistories, and officiate as Churchwardens, etc.; but these offices may not be considered as "offices in the Church." Laymen are also permitted to preach in the Churches, with permission from the Bishop and the Minister. This is frequently the case with students who study for the ministry at the Universities.

30. *Is religious education invariably connected with secular education?*

Yes, in all public schools, except, perhaps, in some formed for specific objects, f. ex. agriculture, mechanical arts, etc., when a general education is presupposed.

31. *Is education, secular and religious, voluntary, or enforced by law?*

To a certain extent, as necessary for "Confirmation," education is enforced by law, although recourse to it is seldom, if ever, needed. (See No. 35.)

32. *Is religion taught in all schools and Colleges?*

See No. 30.

33. *What is the general course of study in Colleges?*

At the *Provincial Schools*, where the students are prepared for the Universities, the following amount of knowledge, as prescribed by law, is required before the course is finished, which takes about ten years, generally from the age of eight to eighteen. The instruction is given in seven classes, the three highest for two years.

In *Religion:* reading of the New Testament in Swedish and Greek; a Manual of the Church Dogmas; Luther's Catechism, with explanations; Biblical and Church History.

In the *Swedish Language* and *Literature:* exercises in writing and speaking, with readings from Swedish, Danish, and Norwegian authors.

In *Mathematics:* Arithmetic; Geometry after Euclides; Algebra; the Elements of Trignometry, with use of Logarithmical tables; solving of problems, etc.

In *Natural Sciences:* the Elements of Botany, Zoology, Chemistry and Physics. In the study of Botany, the Linnean System is generally used. In Physics, the doctrines on Heat, Light, Magnetism, and Electricity, are explained.

In *History* and *Geography:* the Elements of Universal and Swedish.

In *Metaphysics:* Logic and Psychology, according to Swedish manuals.

Of the *Modern Languages:* German, French, and English are taught. *Latin*, *Greek*, and *Hebrew* are studied by those who wish it, but none are compelled to do it. The majority, however, study at least the two first named; and those who study for the Ministry, also Hebrew.

At the *Universities*, the course of study is more free, and varies according to inclination and ability, both of professors and students.

34. *What proportion of the youth of the land attend Colleges?*

On the 31st December, 1855, the number of pupils in the Public Schools was 648,835. The number of students at the Universities is about 2,000; but of these many are absent as tutors in the provinces, for a year or two. The number of those present at the Universities is at *Upsala* about 900, and at *Lund* about 400.

35. *Is the education of females enforced by law, and what is it?*

To a certain extent, the education of girls as well as of boys, is enforced by law, viz.: to be able to read well, and know Luther's Catechism with explanation, as required before "Confirmation" can take place. (See No. 31.)

36. *Does dissent from the Established Church prevail?*

Not generally. (See under No. 39.)

37. *What is the number of Bishops, Dioceses, Clergy, and Parishes?*

The number of Bishops, as well as Dioceses, is twelve. The number of officiating Clergymen was, on the 31st December, 1855, 2,877. Besides these there were, at the same time, 390 ordained Clergymen, occupied with other engagements, as teachers in the schools, etc.

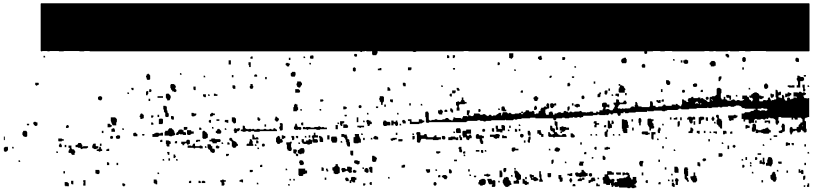
The number of "*parishes*" or livings (Sw. "Pastorat") is 1967. These, however, generally consist of several "congregations" (Sw. "Församling" or "Socken"), which have been joined together under one minister (Rector or Pastor). The number of these "Församlingar" (or "Socknar") is about 2,521, and they have generally their own Church, school, relieving officers for the poor, etc.

38. *What is the extent of the Church population?*
39. *What is the extent of the Dissenters?*

The number of those registered in the Ministers' books as belonging to the Established Church was, on the 31st December, 1855, 3,637,466. Of these, a few are Roman Catholics, and about 4000 Baptists, which, however, have not yet officially seceded from the Established Church; but many of them will no doubt do so, if permission is given to have their own form of worship, as it is expected it soon will.

40. *Are the Government, the Clergy, and the people generally, satisfied with the religious system of the country?*

There is some discontent among those who desire that the Church should be separated from the State; but this opinion is not shared by the majority, which is contented with the present system, and only desire partial improvements.



Appendix P.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF

The Protestant Episcopal Church

IN THE UNITED STATES.

OCTOBER, 1859

PRESENT BISHOPS OF THE CHURCH, IN THE ORDER OF THEIR CONSECRATION.

Rt. Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D.D., LL.D., Connecticut.
Rt. Rev. Wm. Meade, D.D., Virginia.
Rt. Rev. Benj. Tredwell Onderdonk, D.D., (Susp.) New York.
Rt. Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D.D., Vermont.
Rt. Rev. Benj. Bosworth Smith, D.D., Kentucky.
Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., D.C.L., Ohio.
Rt. Rev. James Hervey Otey, D.D., LL.D., Tennessee.
Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D.D., Wisconsin.
Rt. Rev. Samuel Allen McCoskry, D.D., D.C.L.,Michigan.
Rt. Rev. Leonidas Polk, D.D., Louisiana.
Rt. Rev. William Heathcote DeLancey, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., W. New York.
Rt. Rev. Wm. Rollinson Whittingham, D.D., Maryland.
Rt. Rev. Stephen Elliott, D.D., Georgia.
Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., LL.D., Delaware.
Rt. Rev. John Johns, D.D., Assistant, Virginia.
Rt. Rev. Manton Eastburn, D.D., Massachusetts.
Rt. Rev. Carlton Chase, D.D., New Hampshire.
Rt. Rev. Nicholas Hamner Cobbs, D.D., Alabama.
Rt. Rev. Cicero Stephens Hawks, D.D. Missouri.
Rt. Rev. William Jones Boone, D.D., Missionary Bishop in China.
Rt. Rev. Horatio Southgate, D.D. (Resigned.)
Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D., LL.D., Pennsylvania.
Rt. Rev. George Burgess, D.D., Maine.
Rt. Rev. George Upfold, D.D., LL.D., Indiana.
Rt. Rev. Wm. Mercer Green, D.D., Mississippi.

Rt. Rev John Payne, D.D., Missionary Bishop at Cape Palmas, etc.
Rt. Rev. Francis Huger Rutledge, D.D., Florida.
Rt. Rev. John Williams, D.D., Assistant, Connecticut.
Rt. Rev. Henry John Whitehouse, D.D., Illinois.
Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Davis, D.D., South Carolina.
Rt. Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., North Carolina.
Rt. Rev. Wm. Ingraham Kip, D.D., California.
Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Scott, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Oregon.
Rt. Rev. Henry W. Lee, D.D., Iowa.
Rt. Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., Provisional, New York.
Rt. Rev. Thomas March Clark, D.D., Rhode Island.
Rt. Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D., Assistant, Pennsylvania.
Rt. Rev. Alexander Gregg, Texas.
Rt. Rev. Wm. Henry Odenheimer, D.D., New Jersey.
Rt. Rev. Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Assistant, Ohio.
Rt. Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., Minnesota.
Rt. Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., Missionary Bishop of the South West.
Rt. Rev. Joseph C. Talbot, D.D., Missionary Bishop-elect of the North West.

DIOCESE OF MAINE.

Rt. Rev. George Burgess, D.D., Bishop, and Rector of Christ Church, Gardiner.
Rev. Wm. E. Armitage, late Rector of St. Mark's Church, Augusta, now of St. John's Church, Detroit.
Rev. Edward Ballard, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brunswick.
Rev. John Blake, Chaplain in the U. S. Navy.
Rev. Alexander Burgess, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Portland.
Rev. Wm. S. Chadwell, Rector of Christ Church, Eastport.
Rev. Asa Dalton, Rector of St. John's Church, Bangor.
Rev. George W. Durell, Rector of St. Anne's Church, Calais.
Rev. Frederick Gardiner, officiating at Hallowell.
Rev. Roger S. Howard, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Portland.
Rev. Daniel C. Ingraham, (Deacon) Minister of Trinity Church, Lewistown.
Rev. John F. Mines, Rector of Grace Church, Bath.
Rev. Edwin W. Murray, Rector of St. John's Church, Dresden, and also officiating in Trinity Church, Saco.
Rev. George Slattery, Rector St. Peter's Church, Portland, and St. Thomas' Church, Camden.
Rev. John B. Southgate, lately officiating at St. John's Church, Wheeling, in Virginia.
Rev. Pelham Williams, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Wiscasset.
Rev. William M. Willian, officiating in St. James' Church, Oldtown.

DIOCESE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Rt. Rev. Carlton Chase, D.D., Bishop, and Rector of Trinity Church, Claremont.
Rev. Edward Bourns, LL.D., Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Hanover.
Rev. Charles Burroughs, D.D., residing at Portsmouth.
Rev. Francis Chase, Assistant in St. Paul's School, Concord.
Rev. Henry A. Coit, Rector of St. Paul's School, Concord.

Rev. James H. Eames, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Concord.
Rev. William A. Hitchcock, Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
Rev. Isaac G. Hubbard, D.D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Manchester.
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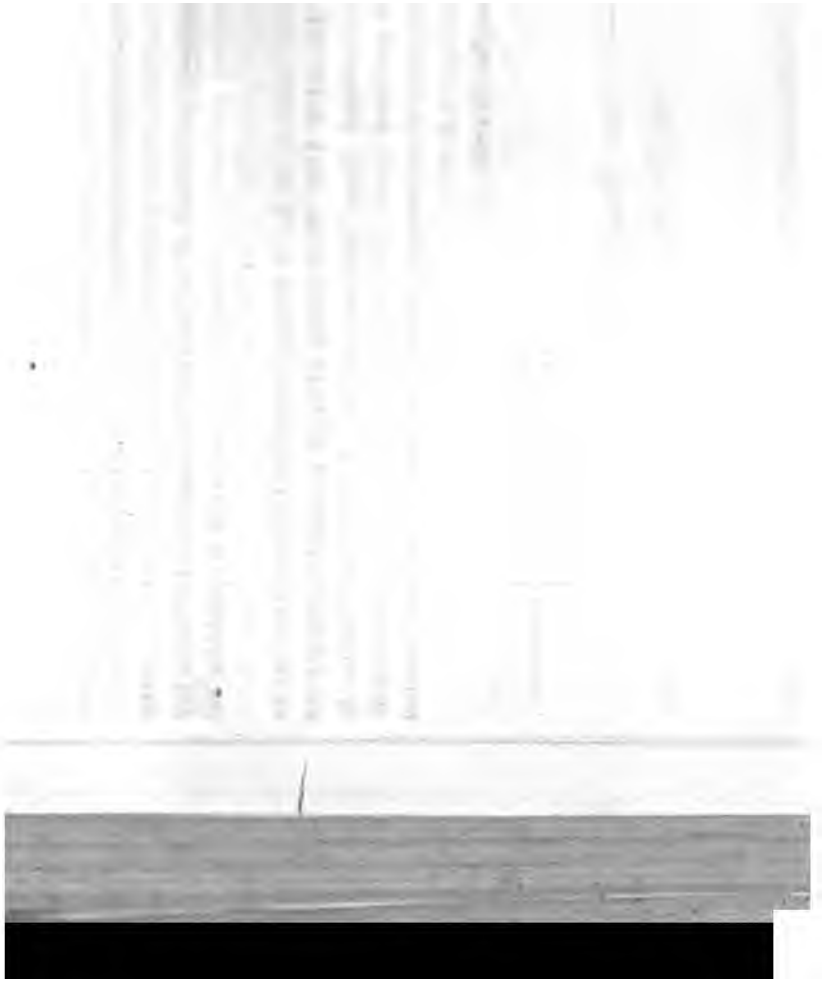

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The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity. Such representation shall consist of not more than four Clergymen, and four Laymen communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the clerical and lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either lay or clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

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The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases, the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

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Consent required.

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

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No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than fifteen self-supporting Parishes, or less than fifteen Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than thirty self-supporting Parishes, or less than twenty Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned: *Provided* that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

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Constitution and Canons of New Diocese.

ARTICLE 6.

mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the ıl Convention. The Court appointed for that e shall be composed of Bishops only. In every e, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons ›e instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. ɔut a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admoni- uspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on ergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

Ecclesiastical Courts, Trials, and Sentences.

ARTICLE 7.

Requisites for Ordination.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following Declaration:

Declaration.

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States."

Admission of Foreign Clergy.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid Declaration.

ARTICLE 8.

The Book of Common Prayer.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of making, ordaining and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution.

Alterations or Additions, how to be made.

No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

ARTICLE 9.

Alterations of this Constitutio

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified, in the ensuing General Convention.

ARTICLE 10.

Consecration o Bishops for Fo eign Countries.

Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated, with the approbation of the Bishops of this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the Presiding Bishop; he thereupon taking order for the same, and they being satisfied that the person designated for the Office has been duly chosen, and properly qualified: the Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the Office of Diocesan, or Assistant Bishop, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of October, 1789.

History of Alterations.

NOTE.—When the Constitution was originally adopted, in August, 1789, the first Article provided that the triennial Convention should be held on the first Tuesday in August. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that the second Tuesday in September, in every third year, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to the third Tuesday in May, by the General Convention of 1804.—See Bioren's edition of the Journals of the General Convention, 1817, pp. 61, 75, and 216.

1789.

1804.

1841. The first Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

Full Veto of the House of Bishops. The third Article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full Veto upon the proceedings of the other House.—See Journals of General Convention, pp. 248, 249.

1811. The second sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.—See Journals of General Convention, p. 274.

1829. The words "or the Articles of Religion" were added to the eighth Article by the General Convention of 1829.

1838. The fifth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1838.

1838. The same Convention adopted the following alterations. —See Journal of General Convention of 1838, p. 24.

Strike out the word "States" wherever it occurs in the first and second Articles, except where it follows the word "United" in the first part of the first Article, and insert in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "States" wherever it occurs in the second, third, and fourth Articles, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Dioceses."

Strike out the words "or district" in the fourth Article.

Strike out the word "State" in the sixth Article, and insert the word "Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the eighth Article, and insert the word "Dioceses;" and in the eighth Article strike out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the ninth Article, and insert the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State" in the ninth Article, and insert the word "Diocesan."

The sixth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841. 1841.

Article 10 was finally agreed to, and ratified, in the General Convention of 1844. 1844.

Articles 2 and 5 were put into their present form at the General Convention of 1856. 1856.

Title I.

OF THE ORDERS IN THE MINISTRY, AND OF THE DOCTRINE AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH.

CANON 1.

Of the Orders of Ministry in this Church.

Three Orders in Ministry.

IN this Church there shall always be three Orders in the ministry, viz.: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.[a]

CANON 2.

Of the Admission of Persons as Candidates for Holy Orders.

Who are deemed Candidates.

§ I. All persons seeking admission to the ministry of this Church, are to be regarded as candidates for Holy Orders.[b]

Notice of Intention

§ II. Every person who desires to become a candidate for Holy Orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he intends to apply; or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a candidate in any other Diocese. No person who has previously applied for admission as a candidate in any Diocese, and has been refused admission, or, having

[a] Adopted in 1789. Canon i. of 1832. [b] § 1 of Canon iii. of 1856.

been admitted, has afterward ceased to be a candidate, shall be admitted as a candidate in any other Diocese, until he shall have produced from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee of the former Diocese, a certificate, declaring the cause for which he was refused admission, or for which he ceased to be a candidate.[a]

Certificate required.

To whom Application must be made.

§ III. A person desirous of becoming a candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop or ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese.[b]

Certificate from Standing Committee.

§ IV. No person shall be considered as a candidate for Holy Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop to whom he intends to apply for Orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that, from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church; a communicant of the same; and, in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry, to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Pres-

[a] § 2 of Canon iii. of 1856. [b] § 3 of Canon iii. of 1856.

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byter, and four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.[a]

Habit of Devotion.

§ V. It is also to be made known to every candidate, for whatever order of the ministry, that the Church expects of him what never can be brought to the test of any outward standard,—an inward fear and worship of Almighty God, a love of religion, and a sensibility to its holy influences, a habit of devout affection, and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called, in Scripture, the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influences can be manifested.[b]

Admission and Record.

§ VI. The requisitions of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a candidate for Holy Orders, and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the candidate of such record: and in any diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.[c]

Canons apply to Candidates from all parts of the United States.

§ VII. The Canons of this Church which respect candidates for Holy Orders, shall affect as well those coming from places in the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to, as those residing in States or Territories in which it has been adopted; and, in such cases, every candidate shall produce to the Bishop to whom he may apply for Holy Orders, the requisite testimonials, subscribed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese into which he has come.[d]

[a] § 4, Canon iii., 1856.
[b] § 5, Canon iii., 1856.
[c] § 6, Canon iii., 1856.
[d] § 7, Canon iii., 1856.

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Application by a Minister of another Denomination.

Notice.

Certificate.

Testimonial from Twelve Persons,

And Two Presbyters.

§ VIII. [1.] When a person, who, not having had copal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an or minister or licentiate in any other denominat Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this C he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop; or, if th no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Dioc which he resides; or, if he reside in a State or Ter in which there is no organized Diocese, to the Miss Bishop within whose jurisdiction he resides; whi tice shall be accompanied by a written certificat at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory ev laid before them, they believe that his desire to the denomination to which he belonged, has not from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral c gious character, or on account of which it may be pedient to admit him to the exercise of the minis this Church; and they may also add what they or believe, on good authority, of the circumstances ing to the said desire.[a]

[2.] If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall proper to proceed, the party applying to be receive candidate shall produce to the Standing Commit testimonial from at least twelve members of the d ination from which he came, or twelve members Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons i of the denomination from which he came and i Episcopalians, satisfactory to the Committee, tha applicant has, for three years last past, lived pi soberly, and honestly; and also a testimonial fr least two Presbyters of this Church, that they b

[a] § 8, Canon iii., 1856.

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him to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church. The Standing Committee, being satisfied on these points, may recommend him to the Bishop, to be received as a candidate for Orders in this Church; or, in a vacant Diocese, the Standing Committee may so receive him.[a]

Such Applicati by one not a Ci zen.

§ IX. When a person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained minister in any other denomination of Christians, shall apply to become a candidate for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States, previous to his application.[b]

And to officiate a Foreign La guage.

§ X. When a person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained minister in any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for Orders in this Church, on the ground of a call to a church in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which such church belongs, may, on sufficient evidence of fitness according to the Canons, and by a unanimous vote at a meeting duly convened, recommend him to the Bishop for Orders, and the Bishop may then ordain him, and he may be settled, and instituted into the said church, without his producing a testimonial to his character by a clergyman from his personal knowledge of him for one year, and without his having been a year resident in this country, anything in any other Canon of this Church to the contrary notwithstanding. Pro-

Without Tes monial or Re dence.

[a] § 9, Canon iii., 1856. [b] § 10, Canon iii., 1856.

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Proviso. vided that, in both of the above cases, the person applying produce a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, that they have satisfactory reason to believe the testimonials to his religious, moral and literary qualifications to be entitled to full credit.[a]

CANON 3.

Of Admitted Candidates.

Supervision of Candidates. § I. The Bishop, or other ecclesiastical authority who may have the superintendence of Candidates for Holy Orders, shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently and under proper direction, and that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most likely to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become those who are preparing for the Holy Ministry.[b]

Lay Readers. § II. No candidate for Holy Orders shall take upon himself to perform the service of the Church but by a license from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the clerical members of the Standing Committee, of the Diocese in which such candidate may wish to perform the service. And such candidate shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop, or said clerical members, may prescribe. He shall not use the absolution or benediction; he shall not assume the dress appropriate to clergymen ministering in the congregation; he shall conform to the directions of the Bishop, or said clerical

Restrictions.

[a] Last paragraph of Canon xxiv., of 1832.

[b] § 11, Canon iii., 1856.

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ıbers, as to the sermons or homilies to be read, nor l any Lay Reader deliver sermons of his own compon; nor, except in case of extraordinary emergency ery peculiar expediency, perform any part of the ice, when a clergyman is present in the congrega-

III. No person, who is a candidate for Holy Orders ıis Church, shall be permitted to accept from any esan convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy e House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General vention.[b] *Candidates not eligible to General Convention.*

IV. A candidate for Holy Orders may, on letters of ıission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the ese in which he was admitted a candidate, be sferred to the jurisdiction of any Bishop in this rch; and if there be a Bishop within the Diocese re the candidate resides, he shall apply to no other op for ordination without the permission of the er.[c] *Transfer to another Diocese.*

V. Candidates shall not change their canonical resie but for *bona fide* causes, requiring the same to be ed of by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, the ding Committee; and they shall not be dismissed the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to h they have been duly transferred, for the conveee of attending any theological or other seminary.[d] *Cause for Transfer.*

[a] § 12, Canon iii., 1856. [b] § 13, Canon iii., 1856.
[c] § 14, Canon iii., 1856.
[d] Last clause of § 15, Canon iii., 1856.

General Provisions and Requisites for Ordination.

CANON 4.

General Provisions and Requisites for Ordination.

Previous Application in another Diocese.

§ I. No Bishop shall ordain any candidate until he has inquired of him whether he has ever directly or indirectly applied for Holy Orders in any other Diocese; and if the Bishop has reason to believe that the candidate has been refused Holy Orders in any other Diocese, he shall write to the Bishop of such Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, to know whether any just cause exists why the candidate should not be ordained. When any Bishop rejects the application of any candidate for Holy Orders, he shall immediately give notice to the Bishop of every Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.[a]

Notice of Rejection.

Age for Ordination.

Period of remaining a Deacon.

§ II. Deacon's Orders shall not be conferred on any person until he shall be twenty-one years old, nor Priest's Orders until he shall be twenty-four years old. No Deacon shall be ordained Priest unless he shall have been a Deacon one year, except, for reasonable causes, it shall otherwise seem good to the Bishop.[b]

Candidates from vacant Dioceses.

§ III. Every candidate for Holy Orders who may be recommended by the Standing Committee of any Diocese destitute of a Bishop, if he have resided for the greater part of three years last past within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination. And such candidate shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Committee of the Diocese in which he has

[a] § 16, Canon iii., 1856. [b] § 1, Canon v., 1856; Canon viii., 1832.

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as from the Committee of the Diocese for which be ordained.[a]

Ordination of one to officiate without the Jurisdiction of the United States.

No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any per- officiate as a Priest in any congregation or destitute of a Bishop, situated without the juris- of these United States, until the usual testimony ıe Standing Committee, founded upon sufficient e of his soundness in the faith, and of his pious ıral character, has been obtained, nor until the te has been examined on the studies prescribed Canons of this Church; and should any clergy- ordained, wish to settle in any congregation of urch, he must obtain a special license therefor ıe Bishop, and officiate as a probationer for at e year.[b]

Special License.

Liability of presenting Clergyman.

A clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop Orders, as specified in the office for ordination, having good grounds to believe that the requisi- the Canons have been complied with, shall be ecclesiastical censure.[a]

Times of Ordination.

Agreeably to the practice of the primitive the stated times of ordination shall be on the s following the Ember Weeks, viz.: the second in Lent, the Feast of Trinity, and the Sundays e Wednesdays following the 14th day of Sep- and the 13th of December. Occasional ordina-

[a] 7, Canon iv., 1856. 12, Canon iv., 1856.

[b] § 15, Canon v., 1856.

tions may be held at such other times as the Bishop shall appoint.[a]

CANON 5.

Examination and Testimonials for Deacon's Orders, and Ordination.

Examination by Bishop and Presbyters.

§ I. Every person hereafter to be ordained Deacon in this Church shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters, whose duty it shall be to ascertain that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures and the Book of Common Prayer, and who shall inquire into his fitness for the ministrations declared in the Ordinal to appertain to the office of a Deacon, and be satisfied thereof.[b]

Period of Candidateship.

§ II. No person shall be entitled to such examination until he shall have remained a candidate for Holy Orders at least one year, and shall have presented to the Bishop a testimonial from at least one rector of a parish, signifying a belief that he is well qualified to minister in the office of a Deacon, to the glory of God and the edification of the Church.[c]

Testimonials from Standing Committee.

§ III. No person shall be ordained Deacon in this Church unless he exhibit to the Bishop testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which shall be signed by the names

[a] Canon xx., 1832. In 1789 the Canon was passed without the last clause. In 1808 this was added, and the Canon has continued unchanged since that time.

[b] § 1, Canon iv., 1856. [c] § 2, Canon iv., 1856.

'xamination, etc., for Deacon's Orders.

jority of all the Committee, the Committee being ınvened, and which shall be in the following —

'hose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B. hath laid satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years he hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not ıught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline otestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a rthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. In wit-eof, we have hereunto set our hands this ——— day of in the year of our Lord ———"[a]

Testimonials to Standing Committee,

From Minister and Vestry.

Or Twelve Persons.

But before a Standing Committee shall proceed ımend any candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, ındidate shall produce from the Minister and f the parish where he resides, or from the vestry the parish be vacant; or, if there be no vestry, least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant al Church, testimonials of his piety, good morals, erly conduct, in the following words:—

whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence y to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath sly, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or ritten, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think son worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this ——— day —, in the year of our Lord ———"

Personal Testimonials.

ıall also lay before the Standing Committee tes-ls signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of estant Episcopal Church in the United States, ollowing words:—

[a] § 4, Canon iv., 1856.

Examination, etc., for Deacon's Orders.

"I do certify, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this ——— day of ———, in the year of our Lord,———."[a]

Substitute for Testimonials from Minister and Vestry.

§ V. But in case a candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and vestry of the parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable Presbyter of the said Church, who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.[b]

Examinations of Candidates, Ministers in other Denominations.

§ VI. Candidates, who, not having Episcopal ordination, have been acknowledged as ordained or licensed ministers in any other denomination of Christians, may, at the expiration of not less than six months from their admission as Candidates, be ordained Deacons, on their passing the same examinations as other candidates for Deacon's Orders; and, in the examinations, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence they come differs from this Church, with a view of testing their information and soundness in the same; and also of ascertaining that they are adequately acquainted with the Liturgy and Offices of this Church;

[a] § 5, Canon iv., 1856. [b] § 6, Canon iv., 1856.

Of Deacons.

l, that in their case the testimonials shall be re-
to cover only the time since their admission as
tes for Holy Orders.[a]

. When any person, not a citizen of the United *Candidate not a Citizen.*
who has been acknowledged as an ordained or
minister in any other denomination of Christians,
)ply for Orders in this Church, the Bishop, to
ıpplication is made, shall require of him (in ad-
o the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence
has resided at least one year in the United States *One Year's Residence.*
; to his application.[b]

CANON 6.

Of Deacons.

Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation *Deacons subject to Control of Bishop, &c.*
ishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the clerical
s of the Standing Committee, of the Diocese for
e is ordained, until he receive letters of dismis-
refrom to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority
other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a
an of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate
places as the Bishop, or the said clerical mem-
ıy direct.[c]

[1.] No Deacon shall be settled over a parish, or *Restrictions upon Settlement,*
ation, until he shall have satisfactorily passed
e examinations required for Priest's Orders.

on iv., 1856. [b] § 8, Canon iv., 1856. [c] § 11, Canon iv., 1856.

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And upon Officiating.

[2.] No Deacon shall officiate in any parish, or congregation, without the express consent of the Rector for the time being, where there is a Rector; nor in any case without the assent of the Bishop; and when officiating in the parish or congregation of a Rector, he shall be entirely subject to the direction of such Rector in all his ministrations.[a]

Subject to the Rector.

No Transfer without Request of Bishops.

§ III. No Deacon, who shall not have passed the examinations required for Priest's Orders, shall be transferred to another Diocese without the written request of the Bishop to whose jurisdiction he is to be transferred.[b]

CANON 7.

Of Candidates for Priest's Orders, and their Ordination

Examinations, when to be applied for.

§ I. If any candidate for Priest's Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have the first and second examinations held as hereinafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have the third examination held (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons, to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a candidate.[c]

Admission of Deacons, as Candidates for Priest's Orders.

§ II. [1.] Every Deacon of this Church may be admitted, by the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, (or where there is no Bishop, by the Standing Committee,

[a] § 9, Canon iv., 1856. [b] § 10, Canon iv., 1856. [c] § 14, Canon v., 185

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ıdidate for Priest's Orders, provided he have the fications hereinafter required.

] A candidate for Deacon's Orders may, in like ıer, and upon the same terms, be admitted a candi- for Priest's Orders, provided he do not require the nsation hereafter allowed.[a]

Admission of Candidates for Deacon's Orders as Candidates for Priest's Orders.

II. Every person wishing to become a candidate for t's Orders, must lay before the Standing Committee isfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence, ıe is a graduate of some University, or College; or rtificate from two Presbyters appointed by the ıp (or, where there is no Bishop, by the clerical mem- of the Standing Committee), to examine him, of his g satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural sophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the k Testament, and the Latin tongue.[b]

Qualifications.

Diploma.

Certificate of Examination.

V. When a Deacon, applying to be admitted a can- e for Priest's Orders, wishes a knowledge of the ı, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches arning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed the Standing Committee shall not recommend him candidate, until he shall have laid before them a ıonial signed by at least two Presbyters of this ch, stating that, in their opinion, he possesses ex- linary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar ıde to teach, and a large share of prudence; and ishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, have granted the dispensation. But in regard to a

Dispensation from Latin, &c.

[a] § 1, Canon v., 1856. [b] § 8, Canon v., 1856.

Of Candidates for Priest's O ders, etc.

Hebrew.

knowledge of the Hebrew language, in all cases the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation.[a]

Period of Candidateship.

§ V. If, after obtaining the canonical testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a candidate, he shall remain a candidate for the term of three years before his ordination as Priest, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.[b]

Period of Previous Study allowed Candidates from other Denominations.

Not to exceed two Years.

§ VI. Every person who has been a candidate for the ministry of any other denomination, and has been received as a candidate for Priest's Orders in this Church, may be allowed, by the Bishop, with the consent of the members of the Standing Committee, the period of time during which he has been a student of theology or candidate in such other denomination, provided the time so allowed does not exceed two years.[c]

Three Examinations for Priest's Orders.

First.

§ VII. [1.] There shall be assigned to every candidate for Priest's Orders, three different examinations, at such times and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for Holy Orders shall appoint. The examination shall take place in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the Canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. The first examination shall be on the books of Scripture, the candidate being required to give an account of the different books, to translate from

[a] § 4 Canon v., 1856. [b] § 5, Canon v., 1856. [c] § 6, Canon v., 1856

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the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. The second examination shall be on the evidences of Christianity and systematic Divinity: and the last examination shall be on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations, he shall produce and read a sermon or discourse, composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture, previously assigned to him, which, together with two other sermons or discourses on some passage or passages of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticisms of the Bishop and clergy present: and before his ordination he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading in the presence of the Bishop and clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the services of the Church, and delivering his sermons with propriety and devotion.

Second.

Third.

Sermons.

Exercises in Reading.

[2.] Such examinations may take place either before or after the admission of the candidate to Deacon's Orders. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed to require any person who has already passed any examination to repeat the same.*

Period of Examinations.

No Repetition.

§ VIII. The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations, and a certificate

Appointment and Certificate by Examining Presbyters.

* § 11, Canon v., 1856.

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from these Presbyters, that the prescribed examinat
have been held accordingly, and satisfaction given, s
be required of the candidate: provided that, in this c

Bishop's Examination.

the candidate shall, before his ordination, be exami
by the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, on the ab
studies.[a]

Standing Committee, when to act.

§ IX. In a Diocese where there is no Bishop,
Standing Committee shall act in his place, in appoin
the examining Presbyters required by this Canon.

Re-examination in such Case.

in this case, the candidate shall again be examined
the Bishop to whom he applies for Holy Orders, and
or more Presbyters, on the studies prescribed by
Canons.[b]

Title for Orders.

§ X. No person shall be ordained Priest unless he sh
produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate fr
some Church, Parish, or Congregation, that he is
gaged with them, and that they will receive him
their minister: or, unless he be a missionary under
ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he
longs, or in the employment of some Missionary Socie
recognized by the General Convention; or unless he
engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth
some college, academy, or other seminary of learni
duly incorporated.[c]

Learning of Priests.

§ XI. No person shall be ordained Priest in t
Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop a
Presbyters by whom he shall be examined, that he

[a] § 12, Canon v., 1856. [b] § 13, Canon v., 1856. [c] § 10, Canon v, 18

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well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures, can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek; is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue, and that he hath a competent knowledge of natural and moral philosophy, and of Church history, and hath paid attention to composition and pulpit eloquence, as a means of giving additional efficiency to his labors; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, shall have dispensed with the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of knowledge not strictly ecclesiastical, in consideration of such other qualifications for the Gospel ministry as are set forth in Section IV. of this Canon. The dispensation with the knowledge of the Hebrew language, to be regarded as in that Section.[a]

Dispensation.

§ XII. No person shall be ordained a Priest in this Church until he shall have exhibited to the Bishop testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:—[b]

Testimonials from Standing Committee.

"We, whose names are underwritten, members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of ———, do testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that, for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Priests. In witness where-

[a] § 2, Canon v, 1856. [b] § 7, Canon v., 1856.

Of Candidates for Priest's Orders,

of, we have hereunto set our hands this ——— day of —
year of our Lord ———."

Testimonials to Standing Committee from Minister and Vestry.

§ XIII. But before the Standing Committe
ceed to recommend any candidate, as afore
Bishop, such candidate shall produce from t
and Vestry of the parish where he resides,
parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the
the parish (a Deacon desirous of Priest's or
the Vestry alone, testimonials of his piety, g
and orderly conduct, in the following words :-

"We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify tha
space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly,
and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taugh
thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protest
Church ; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy
to the sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we ha
our hands this ——— day of ———, in the year
———."

Personal Testimonials.

He shall also lay before the Standing Com
timonials signed by at least one respectable P
the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Unite
the following form :—

"I do certify, that A. B., for the space of three years
lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and has not, so far
believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to th
discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, mor
him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred Orde
This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of
for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time
that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof I have her
hand this ——— day of ———, in the year
———."[a]

[a] § 5, Canon iv., 1856.

Of Ministers Officiating in a Foreign Language.

Under the circumstances mentioned in Section V. of said Canon 5, or if there should be no vestry, the certificate provided for in that Section may be substituted for the one above mentioned.[a]

Substitution allowed.

§ XIV. In the case of a candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders, as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and the Standing Committee shall allow the testimonials so altered the same effect as if in the form prescribed, and shall sign their own testimonial, in such altered form, with the same effect as if in the form prescribed, unless some circumstance shall have occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the candidate was ordained Deacon.[b]

Alteration as to Time.

CANON 8.

Of Ministers Officiating in a Foreign Language.

When a clergyman, coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this communion, in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, or with the unanimous consent of the Standing Committee if there be no Bishop, and, on complying with the other requisitions of the

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[a] § 8 Canon v., 1856. [b] § 9, Canon v., 1856.

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May settle.

Canons, settle in the said Church, as the minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, any thing in these Canons to the contrary notwithstanding.[a]

CANON 9.

Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.

Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.

When a Deacon or Priest ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a minister thereof, he shall produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church stating, that from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged, has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the ministry in this Church; and he shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article VII. of the Constitution; which being done, the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him as such minister.[b]

May be received.

[a] Canon xxiv., 1832.

[b] Canon x., 1841.

Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries, etc.

CANON 10.

Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.

Ministers Ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church

§ I. A clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to have been ordained out of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article X. of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the United States, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any parish or congregation, exhibit to the minister, or if there be no minister to the Vestry thereof, a certificate signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop by the Standing Committee duly convened, that his letters of Holy Orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and of his theological acquirements; and in any case, before he shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop to the Standing Committee thereof, a letter of dismission from under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section VII. of Canon 12 of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months

Certificate.

Letter Dimissory.

Of Ministers ordained in Foreign Countries, etc.

from the date thereof; and when such clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismission was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop or other ecclesiastical authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church;

Subscription. *Provided*, that no such clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article VII. of the Constitution; which being done, said Bishop or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a minister of the same;

One Year's Residence. *Provided, also*, that such minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission.

Foreign Deacons. § II. And if such foreign clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least three years, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.[a]

[a] Canon ix., 1844.

Of Persons not Ministers officiating.

CANON 11.

Of Persons not Ministers officiating.

Evidence of ing a Minis to be furnishe

§ I. No person shall be permitted to officiate in any congregation of this Church without first producing the evidence of his being a Minister thereof to the Minister, or, in case of vacancy or absence, to the Church wardens, vestrymen, or trustees of the congregation.[a]

The Consent cessary for C ciating.

§ II. No Minister shall officiate transiently in a vacant Parish, or in one the Rector or Minister of which is sick or absent, unless the Wardens or Vestry are satisfied he is at the time a Minister in good and regular standing. When from another Diocese, letters commendatory from the ecclesiastical authority thereof may be required.[b]

CANON 12.

General Regulations of Ministers and their Duties.

Election and stitution of M isters.

§ I. [1.] It is hereby required, that on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:—

Certificate o Election.

"We, the Church Wardens (or, *in case of an Assistant Minister*, We, the Rector and Church Wardens), do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop*), or to the Rev. (*naming the President of the Standing Committee*), that (*naming the person*) has been duly chosen Rector (*or* Assistant Minister, *as the case may be*) of (*naming the Parish or Church*).

[a] Canon xxxvi., 1832. [b] § 5, Canon vii., 1856.

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

Certificate to be transmitted for Record.

[2.] If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.[a]

Concerning Institution.

[3.] And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee, may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted according to the Office established by this Church, if that Office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a Deacon, the act of Institution shall not take place until after he shall have received Priest's Orders. This provision, concerning the use of the Office of Institution, is not to be considered as applying to any congregation destitute of a house of worship.[b]

Certificate to Minister removing from one to another Diocese.

§ II. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify that the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a Minister in regular standing.

[a] § 2, Canon vii., 1856. [b] § 3, Canon vii., 1856.
[c] § 4, Canon vii., 1856.

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Alms and Contributions.

§ III. The Alms and Contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.*

Duty on Episcopal Visitations.

One Month's Notice.

§ IV. [1.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation. And on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners, individually, as opportunity may offer, and also to the Congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of said notice. And he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall think properly qualified, and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

List of Names.

Duty to give Information.

[2.] And at every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Church Wardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

Parochial Reports.

[3.] And further, the Ministers and Churchwardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such

* Canon fii., 1832.

heads as shall have been committed to them at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.[a]

Parish Register to be kept.

§ V. [1.] Every Minister of this Church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages, and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such a register.

Register of Baptisms.

[2.] The intention of the Register of Baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of the Churchmembership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of Baptism.

List of Families.

[3.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same parish.[b]

Officiating of Ministers within the Cures of others.

§ VI. [1.] No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the parish, or within the parochial cure, of another clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority of them.

Parish Boundaries, not otherwise defined.

[2.] Where parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan authority under the second Section

[a] Canon xxvi., 1832. [b] Canon xxix., 1832.

of Canon V. of Title III. of this Digest, or are not otherwise settled, they shall, for the purposes of this Section, be defined by the civil divisions of the State as follows:

To be certai Civil Divisio of the State.

Parochial boundaries shall be the limits, as now fixed by law, of any village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or the limits of some division thereof which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a parish.

Recognized by the Bishop.

If there be but one church or congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a city or town as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more congregations or churches therein, it shall be deemed the cure of the Ministers thereof; and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary.

If but one Church.

If two or mor Churches.

When, under Diocesan authority, a new parish is constituted, and its boundaries defined, this Section shall be applicable to the same as so established.

A new Parish

[3.] If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his Cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of

Neglect of M ister.

hearing and deciding on complaints against C
have power, with the written consent of the b
tioned authority, to open the doors of their
any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcop

Rights of Property undisturbed.

[4.] This Canon shall not affect any lega
property of any parish.

Of Clerical Residence and Removal.

§ VII. [1.] A Minister of this Church remov
the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other ec
authority, shall, in order to gain canonical
within the same, present to said ecclesiastical
a testimonial from the ecclesiastical autho
Diocese or Missionary District in which he la
which testimonial shall set forth his true st
character. The testimonial may be in the
words :—

Letter Dimissory.

"I hereby certify, that A. B., who has signified to me h
transferred to the ecclesiastical authority of ———, is a
Deacon) of ———, in regular standing, and has not, so far
believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religi
ness of life, for three years last past."

When to affect canonical Residence.

[2.] All such testimonials shall be called Let
sory. No such letter shall affect a Minister's
residence, until, after having been presented
to its address, it shall have been accepted, a
tion of such acceptance given to the authority
proceeded. The residence of the Minister so
shall date from the acceptance of his letter
If not presented within three months after
may be considered as void by the authority
proceeded; and shall be so considered, unless
sented within six months.

When void.

General Regulations of Ministers, etc.

.] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who been called to take charge of a parish or congrega- shall present a testimonial in the form aforesaid, it be the duty of the ecclesiastical authority of the ese to which he has removed, to accept it, unless the op or Standing Committee should have heard ru- , that he or they believe to be well founded, against character of the Minister concerned, which would a proper ground of canonical inquiry and present- ; in which case the ecclesiastical authority shall nunicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Com- ee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Min- belongs; and, in such case, it shall not be the duty e ecclesiastical authority to accept the testimonial, ss, and until, the Minister shall be exculpated from aid charges.

When Reception may be Refused.

.] It shall be the duty of all Ministers, except pro- rs in the General Theological Seminary, officers of Board of Missions, and chaplains in the army and , to obtain and present letters of transfer as above ibed, whenever they remove from one Diocese or onary District to any other Diocese or Missionary ict, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain there ie space of six months.*

When Letters Dimissory are not required.

Of Bishops.

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fifth Section of this Canon; and who in all
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Assistant, on Restoration of suspended Bishop.

Of Domestic Missionary Bishops.

§ VII. [1.] The House of Clerical and La
may, from time to time, on nomination by th
Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons, to
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Mode and Evidence of Election.

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duced to the House of Bishops; and if the
Bishops shall consent to the consecration, the
order for that purpose.

Exercise of Episcopal Functions.

[2.] The Bishop or Bishops so elected and c
shall exercise Episcopal functions in such Stat
ritories, in conformity with the Constitution
of the Church, and under such regulations a
tions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House

[a] Canon iii., 1850.

Of Bishops.

§ II. [1.] Every Bishop elect, before his consecration, shall produce to the House of Bishops, from the Convention by whom he is elected, evidence of such election; and, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention, evidence of their approbation of his testimonials, and of their assent to his consecration: and also certificates, respectively, in the following words; such certificates, in both cases, to be signed by a constitutional majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, or of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as the case may be. The same evidence of election by, and the same certificate from, the members of the Diocesan Convention, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

Certificates to produced by Bishop elect.

Testimony from the Members of the Convention in the Diocese from whence the Person is recommended for Consecration.

Testimony fr Diocesan Co vention.

"We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life, and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally, declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners, and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God, and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ."

The above certificate shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

Testimony from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

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"We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred,

Of Bishops.

Power upon the Organization of a Diocese.

States. And whenever a Diocese shall have beei ized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, accept the office without vacating his mission pointment, provided that he continue to discha duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

Power to appoint a Standing Committee.

[6.] Every such Bishop may yearly appoint tv byters, and two Laymen communicants of this resident within his missionary jurisdiction, to per duties of a Standing Committee for such juris

Proviso.

Provided that no Standing Committee constitute this Section shall have power to give or refuse a the consecration of a Bishop.

Report to General Convention.

[7.] Every such Bishop shall report to each Convention his proceedings, and the state and c of the Church in said States and Territories United States; and, at least once a year, make to the Board of Missions.[a]

Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

§ VIII. [1.] The House of Clerical and Lay D may, from time to time, on nomination by the I Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcop tions in any Missionary station or stations of this out of the Territory of the United States, wl House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the I Clerical and Lay Deputies, may have designate

Evidence of Election.

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[a] Canon x., 1856.

Of Bishops.

ops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and, without the aforesaid requisites, no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention; but in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within six months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.[a]

Evidence of Consent.

No Consecration within six Months.

§ IV. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.[b]

Age.

§ V. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him. The Assistant Bishop shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese, as the Bishop shall assign to him; and, in case of the Bishop's inability to assign such duties, declared by the Convention of the Diocese, the Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, perform all the duties, and exercise all the authorities which appertain to the office of a Bishop. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time.[c]

Assistant Bishops.

No Suffragan Bishops.

§ VI. A Diocese deprived of the services of its Bishop

Provisional Bishops.

[a] Canon v., 1832. [b] Canon viii. 1832. [c] Canon vi., 1832.

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[a] Canon x., 1856.

said nomination, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

Limitation of Jurisdiction.

[2.] Any Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or any foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction, except in the place or country for which he has been elected and consecrated. He shall not be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor shall he become a Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States, unless with the consent of three fourths of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and also of three fourths of the Clerical and Lay Deputies present at the Session of the General Convention, or, in the recess of the General Convention, with the consent of the Standing Committees of three fourths of the Dioceses.

No Seat in the House of Bishops.

Restriction upon Eligibility as a Diocesan Bishop.

Mode of Presenting and Trying.

[3.] Any Bishop or Bishops consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall, on presentment by two thirds of the Missionaries under his charge, for immorality or heresy, or for a violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, be tried, and, if found guilty, sentenced, in all particulars as if he were actually resident within the limits of the United States, except that the trial may be within any Diocese in the United States.

Power to Ordain Deacons Presbyters.

[4.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of their respective

Of Bishops.

Power upon the Organization of a Diocese.

States. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating his missionary appointment, provided that he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

Power to appoint a Standing Committee.

[6.] Every such Bishop may yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen communicants of this Church, resident within his missionary jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such jurisdiction;

Proviso.

Provided that no Standing Committee constituted under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

Report to General Convention.

[7.] Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church in said States and Territories of the United States; and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions.[a]

Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

§ VIII. [1.] The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the Territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, may have designated. The

Evidence of Election.

evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, expressing their assent to the

[a] Canon x., 1856.

Of Bishops.

Jurisdiction over resident Missionaries or Clergymen.

[6.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall have jurisdiction and government according to the Canons of this Church over all Missionaries or Clergymen of this Church, resident in the district or country for which he or they may have been consecrated.

May appoint Standing Committee.

[7.] Every such Bishop may yearly appoint not less than two nor more than five Presbyters, resident within his missionary jurisdiction and acting under the appointment of the Board of Missions, to act as a Standing Committee in such missionary jurisdiction, upon all questions pertaining to the interests of such missionary jurisdiction; and, in case of the absence of the Bishop from his jurisdiction, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, said Standing Committee shall be the ecclesiastical authority of such missionary jurisdiction.

Trial of Ministers.

[8.] If any Minister of this Church, acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the provisions of Canon 2 of Title II., *Of Offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished;* or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop; such clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church, which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary Jurisdiction: Provided that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committee, or, if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

Of Bishops.

missions, any persons of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him, or them, the testimonials required by Canons 5 and 7 of this Title, signed by not less than two of the ordained Missionaries of this Church who may be subject to his or their charge: provided, nevertheless, that if there be only one ordained Missionary attached to the Mission, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter, under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, in good standing, may be admitted to supply the deficiency.

Testimonials necessary in such Case.

Power of Dispensation.

[5.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop consecrated under this Section, or heretofore consecrated, may, by and with the advice of two Presbyters, one of whom, if necessity require, shall be a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, dispense with those studies required from a candidate for Deacon's Orders by the Canons of this Church;

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Provided no person shall be ordained by him who has not passed a satisfactory examination, in the presence of two Presbyters, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach: and

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Provided, further, that no person shall be ordained by him until he shall have been a candidate for at least three years.

Restrictions.

Nor shall any Deacon, so ordained, be advanced to the Order of Presbyters, who has not been in Deacon's Orders for at least one year. Nor shall any Deacon or Priest, who shall have been ordained under this Section, be allowed to hold any cure, or officiate in the Church in these United States, until he shall have complied with existing Canons, relating to the learning of persons to be ordained.

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Of Bishops.

The Court.

[9.] The Court for the trial of such Ministe consist of five Presbyters, excluding the meml the Standing Committee; or, if there be not fi of all the members of such Missionary jurisdict there be more than five, then shall the Standin mittee select, by lot, the five who shall compose th which court shall proceed in the trial, according Canons of the General Convention of the Pr Episcopal Church, so far as the same may be ap to such a case; and where no provision is made a to the exigency, the court shall consider and adju case according to the principles of law and equi

Sentence.

[10.] The sentence of the court shall be rend the Bishop of such Missionary jurisdiction, wh have power to revise and modify the same, and cision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive

Report to be made to General Convention and Board of Missions.

[11.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated un Section, or Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore crated, shall report to each General Convention ceedings and acts, and the state of the Mission u supervision. He shall also make a similar re least once a year to the Board of Missions of this C

Election of a Missionary Bishop as a Diocesan.

§ IX. [1.] When a Diocese, entitled to the cho Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan a Missionary of this Church, if such election shall have take within three months before a meeting of the Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid befor House of the General Convention, and the conc of each House, and its express consent, shall be

* Canon i., 1850.

Of Bishops.

) the validity of said election, and shall complete ne ; so that the Bishop thus elected shall be there- ıe Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

Concurrence of General Convention.

If the said election have taken place more than nonths before a meeting of the General Conven- ıe above process may be adopted, or the follow- stead thereof, viz. : The Standing Committee of ocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of ction to every Bishop of this Church, and to the ng Committee of every Diocese. On receiving of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops the Standing Committees in the election, and xpress consent thereto, the Standing Committee Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Com- of each vacant Diocese, which notice shall state Bishops and what Standing Committees have con- to the election. And the same Committee shall ıit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, publicly read therein, a notice of the election to ɔiscopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and use public notice thereof to be given in such other s they may think proper.*

Election during Recess.

Consent of Bishops and Standing Committees.

Notice of Election.

It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this ı shall deliver, at least once in three years, a to the clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by able cause. And it is also deemed proper, that, me to time, he shall address to the people of his

Of Episcopal Charges and Pastoral Letters.

* Canon ix., 1856.

Of Bishops.

Diocese, Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners.[a]

Of Episcopal Visitations.

§ XI. [1.] Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the churches within his Diocese at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behavior of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge.

Declining to Visit.

And if a Bishop shall decline, for more than three years, to visit a Parish or Congregation, for reasons which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall be the duty of the Rector or Minister, and Vestry, or of one of them, to apply to the Presiding Bishop, to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be situated,

Council of Conciliation.

to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please, apply himself to the presiding Bishop,

Proviso.

for a Council of Conciliation; Provided that, if, by the action of the General Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a Council or

[a] Canon xxvi., 1832.

Of Bishops.

Councils of Conciliation, for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind, then such a case as is above named, shall be referred to such general Council of Conciliation, and the parties shall abide by its decision.

Clergy to supply his Place as Rector.

[2.] To enable the Bishop, who may be Rector of a Church, to make his official visitation, it shall be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

Expenses of Visitations.

[3.] It is left to each Diocese to make provision, in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitation.

Register to be kept.

[4.] The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.[a]

Of Episcopal Residence.

§ XII. It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within his Diocese.[b]

Of Bishops absent temporarily from their Dioceses.

§ XIII. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese, who is about to leave, or has left, his Diocese, with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or, if remaining out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Assistant Bishop, or should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the ecclesiastical authority thereof. The Assistant Bishop or Standing Committee so authorized, shall thereupon become the ecclesiastical authority

[a] Canon ii., 1853. [b] Canon i., 1856.

of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese; *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop, who may have signed such writing, from exercising his jurisdiction himself, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him.[a]

Proviso.

Forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving for extraordinary Occasions.

§ XIV. The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy, in those States or Dioceses, or other places within the bounds of this Church, in which there is no Bishop, may use the form of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.[b]

Performance of Episcopal Duties in vacant Dioceses, &c.

Invitation, temporary and revocable.

§ XV. [1.] Any Bishop, Assistant-Bishop, or Missionary Bishop, may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is, for the time, under a disability to perform Episcopal Offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal Offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

[a] Canon iii., 1853. [b] Canon xlvii., 1832.

Of Bishops.

Full Charge of another Bishop.

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled; until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

No other Bishop to officiate during such Charge.

[3.] No Diocese thus placed under the full charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, or exercise authority, till its connection with the first Bishop has expired or is revoked.[a]

Of Episcopal Resignations.

§ XVI. [1.] If, during the session of the General Convention, or within six calendar months before the meeting of any such Convention, a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall make known in writing to the House of Bishops such his desire, together with the reasons moving him thereto, whereupon the House of Bishops may investigate the whole case of the proposed resignation, including not only the facts and reasons that may be set forth in the application for the proposed resignation, but any other facts and circumstances bearing upon it, so that the whole subject of the propriety or ne-

Investigation.

[a] Canon iv., 1847.

cessity of such resignation may be placed fully before the House of Bishops.

House of Bishops to Accept or Refuse.

[2.] An investigation having thus been made, the House of Bishops may decide on the application; and, by the vote of a majority of those present, accept or refuse to accept such resignation; and in all cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall cause their proceedings to be recorded on their journal; and in case of acceptance, the resignation shall be complete when thus recorded; and notice thereof shall be given to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Resignation during Recess.

[3.] In case a Bishop should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known to the Presiding Bishop such his desire, with the reasons moving him thereunto; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate, without delay, a copy of the same to every Bishop of this Church having ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the Bishop desiring to resign may belong; and, at the same time, summon said Bishops to meet him in person, at a place to be by him designated, and at a time not less than three calendar months from the date of his summons; and should a number not less than a majority of all the said Bishops meet at the time and place designated, they shall then have all the powers given by the previous clauses of this Section to the House of Bishops; and should a number less than a majority assemble, they shall have power to adjourn from time to time, until they can secure the attendance of a majority of all the said Bishops. Should a proposed resignation of a Bishop

The Bishops to meet.

be accepted at any meeting of the Bishops for that purpose held during a recess, then it shall be the duty of the senior Bishop present to pronounce such resignation complete, and to communicate the same to the ecclesiastical authority of each Diocese, who shall cause the same to be communicated to the several clergymen in charge of congregations therein. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such resignation to be formally recorded on the journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of resigning should be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this Section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

Notice.

Record.

If Presiding Bishop.

[4.] No Bishop whose resignation of the Episcopal jurisdiction of a Diocese has been consummated pursuant to this section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese.

Resigned Bish not eligible to Diocese.

[5.] A Bishop who ceases to have the Episcopal charge of a Diocese shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

Bishops with Charge subject General Conve tion.

[6.] In case a suspended Bishop of this Church should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known by letter to the Presiding Bishop such desire; whereupon the presiding Bishop shall communicate a copy of the same to each Bishop of this Church having

Resignation o suspended Bishop.

jurisdiction; and, in case a majority of such Bishops shall return to the Presiding Bishop their written assent to such resignation, the same shall be deemed valid and final; and written information of the said resignation shall at once be communicated by the presiding Bishop to the Bishop and Diocese concerned, and to each Bishop of this Church.[a]

Notice.

CANON 14.

Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.

Secretary of the Lower House to keep a Register.

§ I. The Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him, in the following manner, that is to say: Every Bishop of this Church, or where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall, at the time of every General Convention, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the said Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or of their stations in any colleges or other seminaries of learning; or, in regard to those who have not any cures or other stations, their places of residence only; and the said list shall, from time to time, be published in the journals of the General Convention.

Notification of admitted Ministers.

§ II. And, further, it is recommended to the several Bishops of this Church, and to the several Standing

[a] Canon ii., 1850.

de of Securing an Accurate View, etc.

ttees, that, during the intervals between the gs of the General Convention, they take such of notifying the admission of Ministers among as, in their discretion, respectively, they shall effectual to the purpose of preventing ignorant wary people from being imposed on by persons ing to be authorized Ministers of this Church.[a]

CANON 15.

Mode of securing an accurate View of the State of the Church.

Statement by Minister in Parochial Reports.

As a full and accurate view of the state of the , from time to time, is highly useful and neces- is hereby ordered that every Minister of this , or if the parish be vacant the Wardens, shall or cause to be delivered, on or before the first every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the , or where there is no Bishop to the President of vention, a statement of the number of baptisms, ations, marriages and funerals, and of the number nunicants in his parish or Church, also the state dition of the Sunday Schools in his parish, also mount of the Communion alms, the contributions ions, diocesan, domestic and foreign, for parochial for Church purposes in general, and of all other that may throw light on the state of the same.

Clergymen not settled, to report Services.

ry clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish ch, shall also report the occasional services he

[a] Canon xlviii., 1832.

may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

Bishop's Address.

§ II. At every annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the journals.

Committee on the State of the Church.

§ III. At every General Convention, the journals of the different Diocesan Conventions since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz.: Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the State of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every clergyman having a pastoral charge,

Pastoral Letter.

Mode of Securing an Accurate View etc.

when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

To be read to eve Congregation.

§ IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

Duty of Dioces Secretaries.

§ V. It is recommended that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee only, prepare, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report, and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Diocese, comprising therein a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports, and from the Bishop's addresses, specifying the capital and proceeds of the Episcopal fund, and of all benevolent and missionary associations of churchmen within the Diocese, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the state of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their reports.[a]

Recommendation to Bishop, etc.

Condensed Summary.

[a] Canon xii., 1853.

Of the Mode of Publishing the Bible, etc.

Canon 16.

Of the Mode of Publishing authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.

Editions of the Bible to be Corrected by the Standard.

Certificate.

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons, to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition agreed upon by the General Convention, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected shall be published with said book.[a]

Canon 17.

Of Publishing Editions of the Book of Common Prayer.

Correct Editions of the Prayer-Book, &c.

Certificate.

§ I. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee thereof, shall appoint one or more Presbyters of the Diocese, who shall compare and correct all new editions of the Common Prayer-Book, the Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, by a copy of the standard edition; and a certificate of said editions, having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with the same. And in case any edition shall be published without such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, where there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to give public notice that such edition is not authorized by the Church.

[a] Canon xliv., 1832.

Of the due Celebration of Sundays.

[I. The octavo edition of the Book of Common
er, the Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms, and Hymns,
orth by the General Convention of 1844, and pub-
d by the New-York Bible and Common Prayer-
: Society, and by Harper & Brothers, in 1845, is
by declared to be the standard edition.[a]

What is the Standard Edition.

CANON 18.

Of the due Celebration of Sundays.

l persons within this Church shall celebrate and
the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hear-
he Word of God read and taught, in private and
ic prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts
iarity, using all godly and sober conversation.[b]

Observance of the Lord's Day.

CANON 19.

Of Parochial Instruction.

ie Ministers of this Church who have charge of
hes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing
children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated
hetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in in-
ing the youth and others in the Doctrine, Constitu-
and Liturgy of the Church.[c]

Parochial Instruction.

anon vii., 1847. [b] Canon xli., 1832. [c] Canon xxviii., 1832.

Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

CANON 20.

Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

Every minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church; and in performing such service, no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said Book.[a]

[a] Canon xlv., 1832.

Title II.

OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON 1.

Of Amenability and Citations.

To whom Ministers are amenable.

Every Minister shall be amenable, for offences com- by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop clerical members of the Standing Committee, of ɔcese in which he is canonically resident at the f the charge.

Mode of serving Citations.

Unless a Diocesan Convention shall otherwise ', a citation to any Minister to appear, at a certain ıd place, for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed luly served upon him if a copy thereof be left at t place of abode within the United States, sixty efore the day of appearance named therein ; and e such Minister has departed from the United by also publishing a copy of such citation in some ıper printed at the seat of government of the n which the Minister is cited to appear, six months the said day of appearance.*

Of Notices in general.

[. A notice or citation required by any Canon of ıurch, when no other mode of service is provided, ' served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his

* Canon v., 1835.

last place of abode within the United States; and shall have left the United States, by also publish copy thereof in some newspaper printed at the s government of the State or Territory where such last resided.*

CANON 2.

Of Offences for which Ministers may be Trie Punished.

Punishable Offences.

§ I. Every Minister shall be liable to presen and trial, for any crime or gross immorality, fo orderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane swe for frequenting places most liable to be abused to tiousness, and for violation of the Constitution or C of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he bel and, on being found guilty, he shall be admonishe pended, or degraded, according to the Canons o Diocese in which the trial takes place, until oth provided for by the General Convention.

Proceedings on Public Rumor.

§ II. If a Minister of this Church shall be ac by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise o ministerial office without lawful cause, or of livi the habitual disuse of public worship or of the Eucharist according to the offices of this Church, being guilty of scandalous, immoral, or disorderl duct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching or cating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty

* Added, 1859.

sdemeanor in another Diocese.

there be no Bishop of the clerical members
ing Committee, to see that an inquiry be
to the truth of such public rumor. And
e individual being proceeded against and
cording to such rules or process as may be
he Conventions of the respective Dioceses,
dmonished, suspended, or degraded, as the
case may require, in conformity with their
nstitutions and Canons.[a]

Punishments.

CANON 3.

*man in one Diocese or Missionary Dis-
rgeable with Misdemeanor in another.*

lergyman of this Church, belonging to any
Missionary District, shall, in any other Dio-
ionary District, conduct himself in such a
ntrary to the rules of this Church, and dis-
s office, the ecclesiastical authority thereof
tice of the same to the ecclesiastical au-
he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with
on given, reasonable ground for presuming
. If the ecclesiastical authority, when thus
omit, for the space of three months, to pro-
the offending clergyman, it shall be within
the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese
/ District within which the alleged offence
ere committed, to institute proceedings, and
given shall be conclusive.

Offence committed in a different Diocese.

Notice to Authority of Offender's Diocese.

Proceedings on Neglect to act.

[a] Canon xxxvii., 1832.

Misdemeanor in another Diocese.

Bishop may admonish and forbid Officiating.

§ II. If a clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons or otherwise, or if any clergyman, while sojourning in any Diocese, shall misbehave in any of these respects, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in said Diocese. And if, after such prohibition, the said clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the clergy and congregations in said Diocese, that the officiating of the said clergyman is, under any and all circumstances, prohibited ; and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop to the Standing Committee, of the Diocese to which the said clergyman belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force, until the Bishop of the first named Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

Notice of Prohibition.

Prohibition how long to continue.

Applicable to Clergymen ordained in Foreign Countries.

Notice of Prohibition.

§ III. The provisions of the last Section shall apply to clergymen ordained in foreign countries by Bishops in communion with this Church. Provided, that in such case notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop under whose jurisdiction the clergyman shall appear to have last been, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.[a]

[a] Canon vi., 1850.

Of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.

CANON 4.

Of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.

No Dismissal of settled Minister without Consent of Authority.

§ I. When a Minister has been regularly instituted or settled in a Parish or Church, he shall not be dismissed without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; and in case of his dismission without such concurrence, the Vestry or Congregation of such Parish or Church shall have no right to a representation in the Convention of the Diocese, until they have made such satisfaction as the Convention may require. Nor shall any Minister leave his congregation against their will, without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority aforesaid; and if he shall leave them without such concurrence, he shall not be allowed to take his seat in any Convention of this Church, or be eligible into any Church or Parish, until he shall have made such satisfaction as the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may require.

Minister not to leave without Concurrence of Authority.

Record upon Regular Dissolution.

§ II. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Minister and his congregation, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop the Standing Committee, shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same. But if the dissolution of the connection between a Minister and his congregation be not regular or canonical, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall lay the same before the Convention of the Diocese, in order that the above-mentioned penalties may take effect.

Submission to Convention in other Cases.[a]

This Canon shall not be obligatory on those Dioceses with whose usages, laws, or charters, it interferes.[a]

[a] Canon xxxiii., 1832.

Of Renunciation of the Ministry.

CANON 5.

Of Renunciation of the Ministry.

Renunciation when no ecclesiastical Proceeding is pending.

§ I. If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare, in writing, to the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, or to any ecclesiastical authority for the trial of a clergyman, or where there is no Bishop to the Standing Committee, his renunciation of the ministry, and his design not to officiate in future in any of the offices thereof, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop of the Standing Committee, to record the declaration so made; and it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose him from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record in the presence of two or more clergymen, that the person so declaring has been deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

Bishop to depose.

When Bishop of another Diocese may sentence.

§ II. In any Diocese in which there is no Bishop, the same sentence may be pronounced by the Bishop of any other Diocese invited by the Standing Committee to attend for that purpose.

Action may be suspended for six Months.

§ III. If the Bishop, to whom such declaration renouncing the Ministry is made, shall have reason to believe that the party has acted unadvisedly and hastily, he may forbear all action thereupon for the space of not more than six months, during which time the party may withdraw his application.

Renunciation under Liability to Presentment.

§ IV. If the Bishop shall have ground to suppose the party to be liable to presentment for any canonical offence, he may, in his discretion, and with the consent

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Standing Committee, proceed to have the appli- put upon his trial, notwithstanding his having the aforesaid declaration; and the same discretion wed to the Standing Committee, in case the Dio- hould be without a Bishop.

Trial may proceed.

. In the case of deposition from the Ministry, as provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church and Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein is no Bishop.[a]

Notice of Deposition.

CANON 6.

e Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing lf of the provisions of Canon V. of this Title, on the Communion of this Church, either by an renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, and worship s Church, or by a formal admission into any reli- body not in communion with the same, it shall be ity of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to certificate of the fact to the Bishop of the Diocese, there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent se; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be and deemed by the ecclesiastical authority as alent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Min- himself. Notice shall then be given to the said ter, by the said Bishop receiving the certificate,

Abandonment without Renunciation.

Certificate.

Notice.

[a] Canon v., 1850.

that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

Deposition after six Months.

§ II. And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed.

Proviso.

Provided, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit, to the Bishop receiving the certificate, a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.

CANON 7.

Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.

Absence for two Years, when Ground of Suspension.

When a clergyman has been absent from the Diocese to which he belongs, during two years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare the cause or causes thereof in writing; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if they be deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence; or until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or until he shall renounce the Ministry according to Canon 5 of

Duration of Sentence.

[a] Canon of 1859.

this Title. In the case of such suspension as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.[a]

Notice to be g en.

CANON 8.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop.

Abandonment Communion b Bishop.

If any Bishop, without availing himself of the provisions of Section XVI. of Canon 13 of Title I., abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, and worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the senior Bishop, which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Bishop himself.

Notice to be given.

Notice shall then be given to said Bishop by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

Deposition.

And if such declaration be not made within six months as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the senior Bishop, with the consent of the majority of the House

[a] Canon ii., 1841.

of Bishops, to depose from the Ministry the Bishop so certified as abandoning, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Bishops, that he has been so deposed.

Proviso. Provided, nevertheless, that if the Bishop so certified as abandoning, shall transmit to the senior Bishop a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may, at his discretion, abstain from any further proceedings.[a]

CANON 9.

Of the Trial of a Bishop.

Offences for which a Bishop may be tried. § I. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for trial on charges for the following offences, viz.: 1. Crime or immorality. 2. Holding and teaching publicly, or privately and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. 3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention. 4. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs. 5. Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination or Consecration vows.

Charges in Writing. § II. [1.] The proceedings shall commence by charges in writing; and, except when the charge is holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, shall be signed by either,

[a] Canon of 1859.

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By whom to be signed.

Five male communicants of this Church, in good standing, belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom two at least must be Presbyters; or,

By seven male communicants of this Church, in good standing, of whom two at least shall be Presbyters, and three of which seven shall belong to the Diocese of the accused.

Action on Rumors.

[2.] Whenever a Bishop of this Church shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, if he please, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may select, demand of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or if he be the Bishop affected by such rumors, or if he be related to him within the degrees hereinafter mentioned, then to the Bishop next in seniority not so related, to convene a Board of Inquiry in the mode hereinafter set forth, to investigate such rumors, reports, and charges, and to proceed, in all respects, according to the provisions of this Canon, as if charges had been formally made in either of the two modes first mentioned in this section.

If advised by two Bishops.

Accusers may choose a lay Advocate and Agent.

[3.] Whenever charges are formally made in either of the modes first above mentioned, the accusers may, if they choose, select a lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as their adviser, advocate and agent, in preparing the accusation, proofs, etc., until such time as a Board of Inquiry is convened in such manner as is hereinafter provided for; or they may prepare such charges themselves, without regard to any particular form; and, in either case, the grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance.

Reasonable Certainty of Charges.

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To whom to be delivered.

§ III. The charges, having been prepared in either
the modes first above mentioned, shall then be deliver
to the Presiding Bishop of this Church, if he be not t
accused, nor related to the accused in any degree me
tioned hereinafter in this Canon; in either of whi
cases, the charges shall be delivered to the next Bish
in seniority not so related.

Board of Inquiry.

§ IV. A Board for making a preliminary inquiry in
charges thus preferred, shall be constituted as follow
whenever such Board shall be necessary, viz.:

How Constituted.

[1.] The Presiding Bishop, or senior Bishop, as t
case may be, to whom such charges are delivered, sha
take the list of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the la
General Convention that was held before such charg
were presented, and from that list shall choose by l
two Presbyters and two laymen from the deputation
the Diocese of the accused, and two Presbyters and tw
laymen from each of the respective deputations of t
three Dioceses adjoining that of the accused; and
there be not three adjoining, of the three nearest theret
and if more than three Dioceses adjoin that of the a
cused, those three that have the largest number
canonically-resident Presbyters in them shall be a
counted adjoining, for the purposes of this Canon; an
the sixteen individuals thus selected by lot shall const
tute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom sha
form a quorum for doing business.

Notice to Members.

[2.] The Presiding Bishop, or next in seniority as t
case may be, immediately after thus selecting by lot t
Board of Inquiry, shall give notice thereof to each me
ber of said Board, and direct him to attend at a tim

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and place designated by him, and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The Presiding Bishop shall, at the same time, send a copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

Place of Meeting.

Copy of Charges to be sent.

[3.] On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church Advocate, who must be a lay communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall, in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church, and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private; the Church Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

Organization of the Board.

Sittings to be private.

Office of Church Advocate.

[4.] In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations and such proof as the accusers may produce, and shall determine whether, upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by an Ecclesiastical Court now authorized, or hereafter to be authorized, by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. If a majority of the Board present on such investigation, shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to

Duty of the Board.

Rules of Evidence those of the State in which the Trial is had.

Presentment.

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put the accused Bishop upon his trial, they shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment, to be signed by such of the Board as agree thereto; and to that end, shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony that has been laid before the Board.

Copies of Presentment to be sent.

[5.] The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed; and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

Refusal to Present.

Certificate of Refusal.

Bar to Future Presentment.

Exception.

[6.] If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial, in such case, the charges, together with a certificate of the President of the Board of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, to be deposited among the archives of that House. And no proceedings shall thereafter be had by way of presentment on such charges, except upon the affidavit of a respectable communicant of the Church, of the discovery of new testimony as to the facts charged, and setting forth what such testimony is.

Limitation of Time.

Conviction in a State Court.

[7.] No presentment shall be found in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a State court, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be founded on charges delivered to the Presiding or

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or Bishop at any time within one year after such iction.

V. [1.] When a presentment has been made by the d of Inquiry, or a majority thereof, to the Bishop whom they received the charges, it shall be the of such Bishop forthwith to give to the accused ten notice to attend, at some place not more than hundred miles from the place of residence of the sed Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty after the time of serving such notice, either per- lly, or by some agent authorized by him in writing t for him in the premises, for the purpose of select- the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. hall also give notice to the Church Advocate of the and place appointed for such selection.

Notice to Accused upon Presentment.

And to Church Advocate.

.] At the time and place appointed in the notices, the op who has given the notices shall attend; and, in presence of the accused Bishop, or of his agent orized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the rch Advocate, or of such person or persons as may id in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on lf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by him- the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to in the House of Bishops, then being within the ter- y of the United States, except the accused and Bishops who may be related to him either by con- uinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or de- ding line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The

Formation of the Court.

Eleven Names to be drawn.

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names so drawn, shall be entered upon a li
drawn, and the accused or his agent may
list one name, and the said Church Advocat
Eleven reduced to Seven. another name, and so on alternately, until
be reduced to seven. If it shall happen tha
shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the
has given the notices shall reduce the nun
by striking off so many of the last drawn
reduce the list to that number. The s
whose names remain, or a majority of
assembled, shall constitute the Court for th
accused upon the presentment.

Notice to Members of the Court. [3.] The Court having been thus constitu
op to whom the presentment was made s
ately communicate to each Bishop who h
by lot designated as one of the triers, the f
Appointment of Time and Place. a member of the Court. He shall also ap
and place for the assembling of the Cour
shall not be less than two nor more than
months from the day on which the notice
at the most distant Diocese, in the ordin
the public mail. The place shall be withi
or Missionary field of the accused Bishop,
the same may be of such difficult access,
ment of the Presiding or senior Bishop, th
convenience may require the appointmen
location. And the said senior Bishop sh
Certified copies. Church Advocate to send certified copies
presentment to all the Bishops who constitu

Summons of the Accused. [4.] The Bishop to whom the presentm
made shall also immediately communicate t
the names of the members of the Court, an

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of the time and place appointed for its meeting, and summon him then and there to appear and answer. He or any other Bishop of this Church having charge of a Diocese, shall have power, until the Court assembles, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, to issue a summons for witnesses.

Power to summon Witnesses.

§ VI. The Bishops who constitute the Court, or a majority of them, having assembled according to the notice given them, which notice it is hereby made their duty to obey, shall proceed as follows, viz.:

Course of Proceeding on the Trial.

[1.] They shall elect a President out of their own number, and appoint a Presbyter of the Church as Clerk, and if necessary, another Presbyter as Assistant Clerk; and when thus organized, the President shall direct the Clerk to call the names of the Church Advocate and the accused; and if both appear, he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment which was delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop, whose duty it is hereby made to deliver the same to the Court upon its organization.

President.
Clerk.
Reading the Presentment

[2.] The accused shall then be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him, and his plea shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him, and the trial shall proceed; *Provided*, that, for sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn from time to time; and *Provided also*, that the accused shall, at all times during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order produce his testimony, and to make his defence.

The Call to plead.
Provisos.

[3.] If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid,

Non-appearance.

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Contumacy.

Three Months' Grace to appear.

except for some reasonable cause to be allow
Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him
macy, and notify him that sentence of sus
degradation will be pronounced against hi
Court at the expiration of three months, unl
that time he tender himself ready, and accor
pear and take his trial on the presentment.
accused shall not tender himself before the ex
the said three months, sentence of suspensio
dation from the Ministry may be pronounced a
by the Court.

The Common Law, the Rule of Proceeding.

[4.] The accused being present, and the tri
ing, it shall be conducted according to the pr
the Common Law, as the same are generally ad
in the United States; nor shall any testimony
ed at the trial, except from witnesses who hav
declaration in the following words, to be r
before the witness testifies, and to be filed wi
ords of the Court:

Declaration of Witness in Writing before testifying.

"A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a
against the Right Rev. ———, a Bishop of the Protesta
Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnl
witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be t
whole truth, and nothing but the truth; so help me God!

Depositions when Attendance cannot be procured.

And if it be necessary to take the testimony
sent witness on a commission, such testimon
preceded by a similar written declaration of th
which shall be filed and transmitted with his
position to the Court. The testimony of eac
shall be reduced to writing. And in case there
to suppose that the attendance of any witness c
cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for eithe

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apply to the Court if in session, or if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness; and such party so desiring to take the deposition, shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read. *Provided*, that in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the ecclesiastical courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.

Commissary.

Cross-examination.

On what Condition Deposition to be read.

Proviso.

[5.] All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper, on the Church Advocate

Service of Notices and Papers

Certificate of Service.

Mode of Service

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and accused respectively. If the person to b with any notice or paper shall have left the States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to copy of such notice or paper at his last place within the United States, sixty days before the which the appearance, or other act required by notice or paper, is to be performed.

Accused may have Counsel.

[6.] The accused party may, if he think proj the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to h than one counsel, the Church Advocate may hav ant advocates, to be named by the accusers; but case the Court may regulate the number of cou shall address the Court or examine witnesses. Th Advocate shall be considered the party on one s the accused on the other. All counsel must be nicants of the Church.

Counsel to be Communicants.

Court to express Opinion on each Charge and Specification.

[7.] The Court, having fully heard the allegat proofs of the parties, and deliberately consid same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall respectively, whether, in their opinion, the ac guilty or not guilty of each particular charge a fication contained in the presentment, in the which they are set forth; and the accused shall sidered as not guilty of every charge and spec of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a of the members of the Court.

Decision to be reduced to Writing and signed.

[8.] The decision of the Court as to all the and specifications of which a majority of the of the Court have found him guilty, shall be re writing, and signed by those who assent to it; cision pronouncing him not guilty of all those and specifications of which a majority shall

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ıced him guilty, shall also be drawn up, and ɔy those who assent to it; and the decision thus shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, .ll be pronounced in the presence of the parties, shall think proper to attend.

If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge ification, the Court shall proceed to ask him r he has anything to say before the sentence is and may, in their discretion, give him time to what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for the sentence; and before passing sentence, the nay adjourn from time to time, and give the ac- easonable opportunity of showing cause to induce : that justice has not been done, or that he has red new testimony; and the Court, or a majority nembers, may, according to a sound discretion, .im a new trial; but, in such new trial, no Bishop t who has already been a trier. Before passing :e, the accused shall always have the opportunity ıg heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or on.

Accused to be heard before Sentence.

New Trial.

The accused having been heard, or not desiring eard, the sentence of the Court shall then be pro- d, and shall be either admonition, suspension as by the existing Canons of this Church, or degra- as the offence or offences adjudged to be proved ɜem to deserve. It shall be the duty of the Court, ver sentence has been pronounced, whether it be ı trial, or for contumacy, to communicate such ɔe to the ecclesiastical authority of every Diocese Church; and it shall be the duty of such au-

Sentence.

Sentence to be communicated, and to whom.

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thority to cause such sentence to be made known every clergyman under his jurisdiction.

Record of Proceedings.

[11.] Every Court shall keep a full record of its p ceedings, including the whole evidence given before Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a st ment of any testimony which has been received, or any decision which the Court has made, or of any which has occurred in Court, or any paper which eit party has produced, it shall be the right of either pa to file an exception in writing, containing a statem of such evidence, decision or fact, or referring to or scribing such paper, which paper shall also be filed w the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed sh become parts of the record.

Exceptions.

How kept and attested.

[12.] Such records shall be kept by the Clerk, and serted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of President and Clerk. Every such book, and all pap connected with any trial, shall be deposited with Registrar of the General Convention. Such books a papers shall be open to the inspection of every mem of this Church.

Lay Advisers may be appointed.

Their Office.

[13.] Every Court, constituted under the authority this Canon, may be attended by one or more lay ad sers, who shall be communicants of this Church, a of the profession of the law. Such advisers may present at all the proceedings of the Court, but th shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall their duty to give in person to the Court an opinion any question not theological, upon which the Court any member thereof, or either party, shall desire opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any quest be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Co

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by a majority of votes. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, appoint an adviser or advisers. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they all shall be advisers; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

Presentment for erroneous Doctrine.

By whom to be made.

§ VII. [1.] Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for holding and teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, by any Bishop in communion with this Church, and not under suspension or degradation. No Bishop shall be presented in any other mode for this offence; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Bishop making such presentment shall appoint a Church Advocate.

Church Advocate.

To whom addressed and delivered.

Court to be convened.

Of whom composed.

Quorum.

Number necessary to a Conviction.

[2.] Every presentment for alleged erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person making it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and delivered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and not being the accused or the accuser, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the trial of the accused. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser and the accused. Three fourths of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum; but the consent of two thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall be necessary to a conviction.

Case of Charges against a Missionary Bishop.

§ VIII. [1.] If charges be preferred against a Missionary Bishop who is not a Diocesan, such Missionary

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Bishop shall be required by the Presiding or senior Bishop to name some one of the three Dioceses nearest to his District or Missionary field; and such selection having been made, the proceedings shall then be precisely such as under this Canon they would be were he the Diocesan of the Diocese named by him. Should the Missionary Bishop refuse to name a Diocese, then the Presiding Bishop may name any one of the three above designated, and the effect shall be the same as if the nomination had been made by the accused Missionary Bishop.

Case of a Bishop without Jurisdiction.

[2.] If charges be preferred against a Bishop having no jurisdiction, he shall be proceeded against precisely as if he were the Diocesan of the Diocese in which he has his civil residence.[a]

CANON 10.

Of Sentences.[b]

Suspension.

§ I. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms, or at what time, said penalty shall cease.[c]

Degradation.

What Terms are synonymous.

§ II. [1.] When any Minister is degraded from the Holy Ministry, he is degraded therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower Order of the same. Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions, are the same as

[a] Canon xi., 1856. [b] See the Constitution, Article VI. [c] Canon iii., 1847.

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degradation. No degraded Minister shall be restored to the Ministry.

No Restoration

[2.] Whenever a Clergyman shall be degraded, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese, and also to all the Bishops of this Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.[a]

Notice of Degradation, to whom given.

CANON 11.

Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences.

The Bishops of this Church, who are entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, may altogether remit and terminate any judicial sentence which may have been imposed, or may hereafter be imposed, by Bishops acting collectively as a judicial tribunal; or modify the same so far as to designate a precise period of time, or other specific contingency, on the occurrence of which such sentence shall utterly cease, and be of no further force or effect. Provided that no such remission or modification shall be made except at a meeting of the House of Bishops, during the session of some General Convention, or at a special meeting of the said Bishops, which shall be convened by the Presiding Bishop on the application of any five Bishops; three months' notice, in writing, of the time, place and object of the meeting, being given per-

Remission of Sentence,

Or Modification thereof.

To be made at General Convention.

Or Meeting specially convened.

[a] Canon xxxix., 1832.

sonally to each Bishop, or left at his usual place of abode. Provided, also, that such remission or modification be assented to by a number of said Bishops not less than a majority of the whole number entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops; and Provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to repeal or alter Canon 10 of this Title.[a]

Majority of whole Number of Bishops must assent.

CANON 12.

Regulations respecting the Laity.

Removal of Communicants.

§ I. A communicant removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.[b]

Certificate.

Crimes and Scandals to be censured.

§ II. [1.] If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the Holy Communion, agreeably to the rubric.

Ordinary to be informed.

[2.] There being the provision in the second rubric before the Communion Service requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary, it is hereby provided, that,

[a] Canon ii., 1847. [b] Canon xiii., 1853.

Regulations respecting the Laity.

ɜ information to the effect stated being laid before rdinary, that is the Bishop, it shall not be his duty titute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made n in writing by the repelled party. But, on receiv- ɔmplaint, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless ink fit to restore him from the insufficiency of the assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry ıay be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in ı the event has taken place; and the notice, given ɔve by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presenta- ɨf the party repelled.

Inquiry on Complaint in Writing.

In case of great heinousness of offence on the ɔf members of this Church, they may be proceeded st to the depriving them of all privileges of Church bership, according to such rules or process as may ɔvided by the General Convention; and until such or process shall be provided, by such as may be led by the different Diocesan Conventions.[a]

Deprivation of Privileges of Church Membership.

[a] Canon xlii., 1832.

Title III.

OF THE ORGANIZED BODIES AND OFFICE CHURCH.

Canon 1.

Of the General Convention.[a]

Special Meetings of General Convention.

§ 1. [1.] The right of calling special me General Convention shall be in the Bishops shall be exercised by the Presiding Bisho of his death, by the Bishop who, according of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the Convention; Provided, that the summons s

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the consent, or on the requisition of, a ma Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

Place of Meeting.

[2.] The place of holding any Special shall be that fixed on by the preceding G vention for the meeting of the General unless circumstances shall render a meetin place unsafe; in which case, the Presiding appoint some other place.

Same Deputies.

[3.] The Deputies elected to the preced Convention shall be the Deputies at such vention, unless in those cases in which oth shall have been chosen in the mean time the Diocesan Conventions, and then such ot shall represent in the Special Convention th the Diocese in which they have been chosen

[a] See Constitution, Articles I., II., and III. [b] Can

Of the General Convention.

Registrar.

§ II. [1.] The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which, under Canon 15 of Title I., entitled *Of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church*, or in any other manner, shall become the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention.

Duties of Registrar.

[2.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents now in existence; to arrange, label, file, index, and otherwise put in order, and provide for the safe keeping of, the same, and all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in fire-proof box or boxes, in some safe and accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the General Convention may from time to time provide.

Record of Consecrations of Bishops.

[3.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a proper and sufficient book of record, and to enter therein a record of the consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner now practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future consecrations in this Church.

Expenses.

[4.] The expenses necessary for the purposes contemplated by this Section shall be provided for by vote of

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the General Convention, and defrayed by the Treasurer of the same.[a]

Notice to Diocesan Conventions.

§ III. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give a particular notice thereof to the ecclesiastical authority of this Church in every Diocese.[b]

Treasurer.

§ IV. At every triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and

His Duties.

disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His account shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority.

How Vacancy to be filled.

In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment be made by the Convention.

Expenses of General Convention.

§ V. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the

[a] Canon iv., 1853. [b] Canon l., 1832. [c] Canon i., 1841.

Standing Committees.

of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to treasurer of the General Convention, at or before meeting of the General Convention, two dollars for clergyman within such Diocese.[a] *Diocesan Ratio.*

CANON 2.

Of Standing Committees.

In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Com-, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose , except so far as provided for by the Canons of eneral Convention, may be prescribed by the s of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect heir own body a President and a Secretary. They neet on their own adjournment from time to time; ne President shall have power to summon special ngs whenever he shall deem it necessary. *Duties of Standing Committee.* *President and Secretary.*

. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the ing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the . They shall be summoned on the requisition of ishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. hey may meet of their own accord, and agreeably ir own rules, when they may be disposed to advise ishop. *To be a Council of Advice.*

I. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Com- is the ecclesiastical authority for all purposes ed in these Canons.[b] *When the Ecclesiastical Authority.*

[a] Canon viii., 1856. [b] Canon iv., 1832.

Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

CANON 3.

Of the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

Trustees how appointed and what number.

§ I. It shall be the duty of the General Convention, at each triennial session, on the nomination of the Standing Committee on the State of the Church, to appoint five laymen of this Church to constitute a Board of Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

Their Duties.

§ II. It shall be the duty of such Trustees to take charge of all contributions of money or real estate which may be made to them, and accompanied by designation from the donors thereof, for any or either of the purposes herein specified, viz. :—

Objects of the Fund.

[1.] For the present support of any Missionary Bishop of this Church.

[2.] For investment, the interest or proceeds to be applied to such present support.

[3.] For the support of Bishops of this Church in new Dioceses, or in regions in which the Church is not yet organized.

[4.] For the endowment of the Episcopate in new Dioceses, or in regions in which the Church is not organized.

Discretion allowed as Contributors.

§ III. All contributions, the disposition of which may not have been designated by the donors, shall be applied by the said Board of Trustees according to their discretion, for the above-named objects, until the direction of the General Convention in the premises.

Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund.

Special Donations to be paid over.

§ IV. All moneys received by either of the Missionary Committees of the Board of Missions specifically for either of the purposes designated in this Canon, shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, accompanied by a statement of the directions of the donors.

Treasurer of the Board.

§ V. The Board of Trustees, hereby constituted, shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall keep fair accounts of all the receipts and expenditures of the Board. These accounts shall at all times be open to the inspection of any Bishop of this Church, or of any accountant appointed for the purpose by any three Bishops of this Church. The Board shall have power to make all necessary disbursements in the discharge of their trust.

Triennial Report.

§ VI. The Board shall make a triennial report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on the third day of the session of the General Convention; and shall accompany their report with an account of their receipts and disbursements during the last three years. It shall be the duty of the House to refer such account to a committee to be audited.

Incorporation.

§ VII. Such Trustees are hereby empowered to procure an act of incorporation for the purposes and objects specified in this Canon.[a]

[a] Canon ii., 1853.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

CANON 4.

Of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

Certificate of Nomination.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, a certificate of the nomination, by the Diocese, of a Trustee or Trustees for the General Theological Seminary; and without such certificate the nomination shall not be confirmed.[a]

CANON 5.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

Union with Church in another Diocese.

§ I. Whereas a question may arise whether a Congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet any Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese, it is hereby determined and declared, that all such unions shall be considered as irregular and void; and that every Congregation of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a Church to which they belong. And no Clergyman, having a Parish or Cure in more than one Diocese, shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.[b]

No Clergyman to sit in two Diocesan Conventions.

[a] Canon i., 1847. [b] Canon xliii,, 1832.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

Parish Bounc ries, and nev Parishes.

§ II. [1.] The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial Cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions, for the Dioceses respectively.

Where Power vested.

[2.] Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations within the limits of other Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof; and in case of there being no Bishop, in the ecclesiastical authority.

Vested Rights preserved.

[3.] Nothing contained in this Section shall affect any legal rights of property of any Parish.

Congregations Foreign Lands

§ III. [1.] It shall be lawful for persons belonging to this Church, but resident in any foreign country (other than Great Britain and Ireland and the Colonies and dependencies thereof), not within the limits of any Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, to organize as a Church or Congregation.

Must recognize Constitution, et

[2.] Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its constitution, or plan, or articles of organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

[3.] In order to such reception, it shall be required to

Of Congregations and Parishes.

Certificate of Desire for Reception.

declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Church Warden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Church or Congregation.

Certificate of Satisfaction.

[4.] Such certificate and the constitution, plan or articles of organization shall be submitted to the General Convention during its session, or the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, a certificate thereof shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of the Church, and such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

Jurisdiction of Presiding Bishop.

Power may be assigned.

[5.] Such Presiding Bishop may from time to time assign to any other Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in the United States, the exercise of any Episcopal power or functions, in relation to such Church or Congregation, for such period of time as he may deem expedient.

Clergymen subject to the Presiding Bishop.

[6.] The Clergyman settled in such Church or Congregation shall, in all respects, be subject to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, while in charge of such Church or Congregation.

Of the Organization of New Dioceses.

CANON 6.

Of the Organization of New Dioceses.[a]

Organi: New Di

§ I. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which another is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

Primar vention.

The Ca whom t made.

§ II. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the eldest of the Dioceses, by the junction of which, or parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.

When i be made

Divisio Diocese.

§ III. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.[b]

[a] See the Constitution, Article V,. 1856. [b] Canon viii., 1838.

Title IV.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

Of Repealed Canons.

Repeal of Repeal, no Re-enactment.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.[a]

CANON 2.

Of the Repeal, Amendment and Enactment of New Canons.

Form of altering Canons.

In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Canon —— (or Section —— of Canon ——, or Clause —— of Section —— of Canon ——) of Title ——, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:" And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next Section, or next Clause, of a Canon, or Section, in the order of numbering, of the Title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon or Section or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall

[a] Canon xi, 1838.

Of the Time of these Canons taking Effect.

be retained, until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each Session of the General Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

Who are to certify Changes in Canons.

CANON 3.

Of the Time of these Canons taking Effect.

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1860; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby, and shall be deemed to be, repealed; Provided that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

Time of taking Effect.

General Repeal.

WILLIAM MEADE, D. D.,
Presiding in the House of Bishops.

Attest, L. P. W. BALCH, D. D., *Secretary.*

WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D. D.,
President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Attest, M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE, D. D., *Secretary.*

COURSE OF ECCLESIASTICAL STUDIES.

Established by the House of Bishops, in the Convention of **1804**, *in pursuance of a Resolution of the preceding General Convention.*

IN attending to this subject a considerable difficulty occurs, arising out of the difference of the circumstances of Students, in regard not only to intellectual endowments and preparatory knowledge of Languages and Science, but to access to authors, and time to be devoted to a preparation for the Ministry. For, in accommodating to those whose means are slender, we are in danger of derogating from the importance of religious knowledge; while on the other hand, although we should demand all that is desirable, we shall be obliged to content ourselves, in some cases, with what is barely necessary.

In consideration of the above, it will be expedient to set down such a course of study as is accommodated to a moderate portion of time and means, and afterwards to suggest provisions, as well for a more limited, as for a more enlarged share of both.

Let the Student be required to begin with some books in proof of the *Divine Authority of Christianity*, such as Grotius on the *Truth of the Christian Religion*; Jenkins on the *Reasonableness of Christianity;* Paley's *Evidences;* Leslie's *Methods with the Jews and Deists;* Stillingfleet's *Origines Sacræ;* and Butler's *Analogy.* To the above should be added some books which give a knowledge of the objections made by Deists. For this, Leland's *View* may be sufficient; except that it should be followed by answers to Deistical writers since Leland, whose works and the answers to them may be supposed known to the Student. It would be best, if circumstances permit, that he should read what the Deists themselves have written.

After the books in proof of Revelation, let the Student, previously to the reading of any System of Divinity, study the *Scriptures* with the help of some approved *Commentators*, such as Patrick and Lowth on the *Old Testament*, and Hammond, or Whitby, or Doddridge, on the *New;* being aware, in regard to the last-mentioned author, of the points on which

he differs from our Church, although it be with moderation and candor. During such, his study of the Scriptures, let him read some work or works which give an account of the *design* of the different *books*, and the *grounds* on which their respective *authority* is asserted; for instance, Father Simon's *Canon of Scripture;* Collier's *Sacred Interpreter;* Gray's *Key to the Old Testament*, and Percy's *Key to the New.* Let the Student read the Scriptures, over and over, referring to his Commentators as need may require, until he can give an account of the *design* and *character* of each *book*, and explain the more *difficult passages* of it. He is supposed to know enough of *Profane History* to give an account of that also, whenever it mixes with the *Sacred.* There are certain important subjects which may be profitably attended to, as matters of distinct study, during the course of the general study of Scripture. For instance: the Student having proceeded as far as the *Deluge*, may read some other *author* who gives a larger *account* than the *Commentators* of the particulars attached to that crisis; and also the principles on which are founded the different systems of *Chronology*, all of which will be found clearly done in the *Universal History.* In reading the Book of *Leviticus*, it will be useful to attend to some connected scheme of the *Sacrifices;* such as is exhibited by Bishop Kidder, in his *Introduction to the Pentateuch*, and by Mr. Joseph Mede, in some of his Discourses. A more full and interesting interpretation of the *Prophecies* than can be expected from the Commentators, will be desirable, and for this purpose let Bishop Newton's *work* be taken. Between the study of the *Old Testament* and that of the *New*, should be read Prideaux's and Shuckford's *Connections.* With the *New Testament* should be taken some book relating to the *Harmony of the Gospels*, as M'Knight's, or Bishop Newcome's. Let the Student, before entering on the *Gospels*, read Dr. Campbell's *Introductory Dissertation.* Toward the close of the *Gospels* the subject of the *Resurrection* should be particularly attended to, for which purpose let there be taken either Mr. West, on the subject, or Bishop Sherlock's *Trial of the Witnesses.*

After the Study of the Scriptures, let attention be given to *Ecclesiastical History*, so far as to the *Council of Nice.* This period is *distinctly* taken, from a desire that the *portion of History preceding it*, as well as the *opinions* then entertained, may be learned from *original writers*, which may be

considered as one of the best expedients for the guarding of the Student against many *errors of modern times*. The writers of that interval are not numerous or bulky. Eusebius is soon read through; and so are the Apostolic Fathers. Even the other writers are not voluminous, except Origen, the greater part of whose works may be passed over. The *Apostolic Fathers* may be read in Cotelerius' edition; but there are translations of most of them, by Archbishop Wake and the Rev. William Reeves. Cave's *Lives of the Apostles and Fathers* may be profitably read at this period.

This stage of the Student's progress seems the most proper for the *study* of the two questions of our Lord's *Divinity*, and of *Episcopacy*. The aspect of *early works* on these subjects, best enables us to ascertain in what shape they appear to the respective writers. And it is difficult to suppose, on the ground of what we know of human nature, that, during the first *three centuries*, either the *character* of CHRIST should have been conceived of as materially different from what had been the representation of it by the *first teachers* of our religion; or, that there should have been a material change of *Church Government*, without opposition to the innovation. For the *former* question, let the works of Bishop Bull, and the Rev. Charles Leslie be taken: to which may well be added the late controversy between Bishop Horsley and Dr. Priestly; and for the *latter*, Mr. Hooker's *Ecclesiastical Polity*, Archbishop Potter on *Church Government*, and Daubeny's *Guide to the Church*. As the Lord Chancellor King published a book on the *Discipline of the Primitive Church*, in which he has rested Episcopacy on insufficient grounds, unwarily admitted by many on his authority, let the Student read his book and the refutation of it in Mr. Slater's *Original Draft of the Primitive Church*.

After this, let the Student go on with the *History of the Fourth Century*, from Mosheim. But it will be of advantage to him to turn to Fleury's *History*, for the *epitomes* there given of the writings of the eminent men who abounded in *that century* and part of the *next*. Let him then return to Mosheim, and go on with that writer to the *Reformation*. Here let him pause and study, as the main hinges of *Popery*, its pretences to *supremacy* and *infallibility*, on which there will be found satisfactory matter in Mr. Chillingworth's *Religion of Protestants a Safe Way to Salvation*, and Dr. Barrow's *Treatise of the Pope's Supremacy*. Here, also, let

there be read Father Paul's *History of the Council of Trent.* Then let the Student resume Mosheim. But it will be best if, for a more minute knowledge of the *History of the Church of England* since the *Reformation,* he takes along with him Collier's *History,* a very able work, but in the reading of which some allowance must be made for peculiar prejudices. On coming, in the reign of Elizabeth, to the questions which arose between the *Divines* of the *Established Church* and the *Presbyterians,* then known by the name of *Puritans,* let recourse be again had to Mr. Hooker's work, and to the *London Cases.* Then let Mosheim be proceeded with to the end.

After these studies, and not before, let *Divinity* be read in a *systematic* method. Bishop Pearson's *Exposition of the Creed* may be considered as a small system, and, on account of the excellence of the work, is recommended; as also, Bishop Burnet's *Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles.* Then let a larger system be taken; suppose Stackhouse's *Body of Divinity,* with the addition of the following modern works *Elements of Christian Theology,* by the present Bishop of Lincoln, and *The Scholar Armed.* That many works of this sort are not mentioned, is because we think their utility is principally confined to arrangement, and suppose that the knowledge they convey is to be obtained from the Scriptures and judicious commentators.

It seems necessary to this course of study to recommend the *Sermons* of some of the distinguished preachers who have so abounded in the Church of England for some ages past; and the only matter will be, from among many of great name, to select a convenient number. And for this purpose we refer to the list at the end.

It seems not unnecessary to require attention to the *History of the Common Prayer,* the *grounds* on which the *different services* are constructed, and the *meaning* of the *Rubrics.* Perhaps a careful study of Dr. Wheatley, *On the Common Prayer,* and the late work of Mr. Reeves, will be sufficient.

Some books should be read on the *Duties of the Pastoral Office;* such as St. Chrysostom *On the Priesthood,* Bishop Burnet *On the Pastoral Care,* and Bishop Wilson's *Parochialia.* It is, however, to be remembered, that one reason for studying carefully the book of Common Prayer, and its Rubrics, is, that by the help of these, in connection with what belongs in Scripture to the Ministerial character, sufficient information of its duties may be had.

A knowledge of the *Constitution* and the *Canons* should be held absolutely necessary. And it is to be hoped that they will, on this account, be soon published detached from the Journals.

To set down what Books shall be *essential*, no *Student* to be *ordained* without being *fully prepared to answer* on them, is more difficult. The lowest requisition is as follows:—Paley's *Evidences;* Mosheim, with a reference to Mr. Hooker, for the *Episcopacy;* Stackhouse's *Body of Divinity;* and Mr. Reeves, on the *Common Prayer;* the *Constitution and Canons of the Church;* allowing, in the *Study of the Scriptures,* a latitude of choice among approved *commentators;* it being understood, that if the Student cannot, on the grounds contained in some good commentary, *give an account* of the *different books,* and *explain* such *passages* as may be *proposed* to him, this is of itself a *disqualification.*

In the beginning it was intimated that the course to be recommended would be disproportioned to the means of some, and fall short of what would be within the compass of others. For the benefit of the latter we publish the following list of books, on the different branches of Ecclesiastical knowledge.

During the whole course of study, the Student will endeavor, by the grace of GOD, to cultivate his heart by attention to *devotional* and *practical* treatises, several of which will be mentioned in the general list that follows.

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CLASS THE FIRST.

Bible, with marginal references, 8vo.
Crutwell's Concordance of Parallels, 4to.
Butterworth's Concordance, 8vo.
Patrick, Lowth, and Whitby, on the Old and New Testament, 6 vols. fol.
Doddridge's Family Expositor, 6 vols. 8vo.
Pool's Synopsis, 5 vols. fol.
Collier's Sacred Interpreter, 2 vols. 8vo.
Jenning's Jewish Antiquities, 2 vols. 8vo.
Lowman's Rationale of the Hebrew Ritual, 8vo.
Gray's Key to the Old Testament, 8vo.
Home's Scripture History of the Jews, 2 vols. 8vo.
Parkhurst's Greek Lexicon, 4to.
Campbell's Translation of the Gospels, 2 vols. 4to.
Marsh's Michaelis, 3 vols. 8vo.
Bowyer's Conjectures on the New Testament, 4to.
Macknight's Harmony, 4to.
Macknight on the Epistles, 3 vols. 8vo.
Lowman on the Revelation, 8vo.
Oliver's Scripture Lexicon, 8vo.
Macbean's Dictionary of the Bible, 8vo.

CLASS THE SECOND.

Stillingfleet's Origines Sacræ, 2 vols. 8vo.
Clarke's Grotius, 8vo.
Clarke's Evidences of Natural and Revealed Religion, 8vo.
Lardner's Works, 11 vols. 8vo.
Paley's Evidences, 2 vols. 8vo.
Paley's Horæ Paulinæ, 8vo.
Jenkins, on the Certainty and Reasonableness of Christianity, 2 vols. 8vo.
Leland, on the Advantages and Necessity of Revelation, 2 vols. 8vo.
Leland's View of Deistical Writers, 2 vols. 8vo.
Butler's Analogy, 8vo.
Campbell on Miracles, 2 vols. 8vo.
Newton on the Prophecies, 2 vols 8vo.
Kett's History, the Interpreter of Prophecy, 3 vols. 12mo.
Leland, on the Divine Authority of the Old and New Testament, 2 vols. 8vo.

CLASS THE THIRD.

Burnet's History of the Reformation, 3 vols. fol.
Burnet's Exposition of the Thirty-Nine Articles, 8vo.
Burnet's Pastoral Care, 8vo.
Pearson on the Creed, 2 vols. 8vo.
Nicholls on the Common Prayer, 8vo.
Wheatley on the Common Prayer, 8vo.
Shepherd on the Common Prayer, 8vo.
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